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Kowloon...	Dep.	6.40	9.15	10.30	12.00	1.15	4.35	5.20	7.10
Yau-mat...	Dep.	6.50	9.24	10.39	12.09	1.24	4.44	5.29	7.19
Shatin...	Dep.	7.03	9.38	10.51	12.21	1.36	4.56	5.31	7.21
Tai-po...	Dep.	7.16	9.49	11.04	12.34	1.49	5.09	5.44	7.34
Tai-po Market...	Dep.	7.21	9.53	11.08	12.38	1.53	5.13	5.48	7.38
Fanning...	Dep.	7.23	10.03	11.19	12.48	1.55	5.15	5.50	7.40
Shung-shui...	Dep.	7.26	10.07	11.23	12.53	1.58	5.18	5.53	7.43
Shum-shan...	Arr.	7.42	10.18	11.33	13.03	2.13	5.34	6.09	8.06

		A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Shum-shan...	Dep.	7.31	8.05	10.38	11.40	3.00	4.17	5.18	6.08
Shung-shui...	Dep.	7.36	8.10	10.43	11.47	3.07	4.24	5.25	6.15
Fanning...	Dep.	7.39	8.16	10.49	11.51	3.11	4.28	5.29	6.19
Tai-po Market...	Dep.	7.43	8.26	10.59	12.02	3.21	4.38	5.39	6.29
Tai-po...	Dep.	7.46	8.30	11.04	12.07	3.25	4.42	5.43	6.33
Shatin...	Dep.	7.59	8.43	11.17	12.21	3.38	4.56	5.57	6.46
Yau-mat...	Dep.	8.13	8.55	11.29	12.33	3.50	5.08	6.09	6.58
Kowloon...	Arr.	8.20	9.03	11.37	12.41	3.58	5.16	6.17	7.06

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Kowloon...	Dep.	8.40	8.55	9.15	10.30	12.00	2.25	5.29	7.10
Yau-mat...	Dep.	8.50	—	9.24	10.39	12.09	2.31	5.39	7.19
Shatin...	Dep.	9.03	—	9.38	10.51	12.21	2.43	5.51	7.31
Tai-po...	Dep.	9.16	—	9.49	11.04	12.34	2.56	6.04	7.44
Tai-po Market...	Dep.	9.21	—	9.53	11.08	12.38	3.00	6.09	7.48
Fanning...	Dep.	9.23	—	10.03	11.19	12.48	3.11	6.20	7.58
Shung-shui...	Dep.	9.26	9.12	10.07	11.23	12.53	3.15	6.24	8.02
Shum-shan...	Arr.	9.42	9.18	10.18	11.33	12.58	3.21	6.30	8.08

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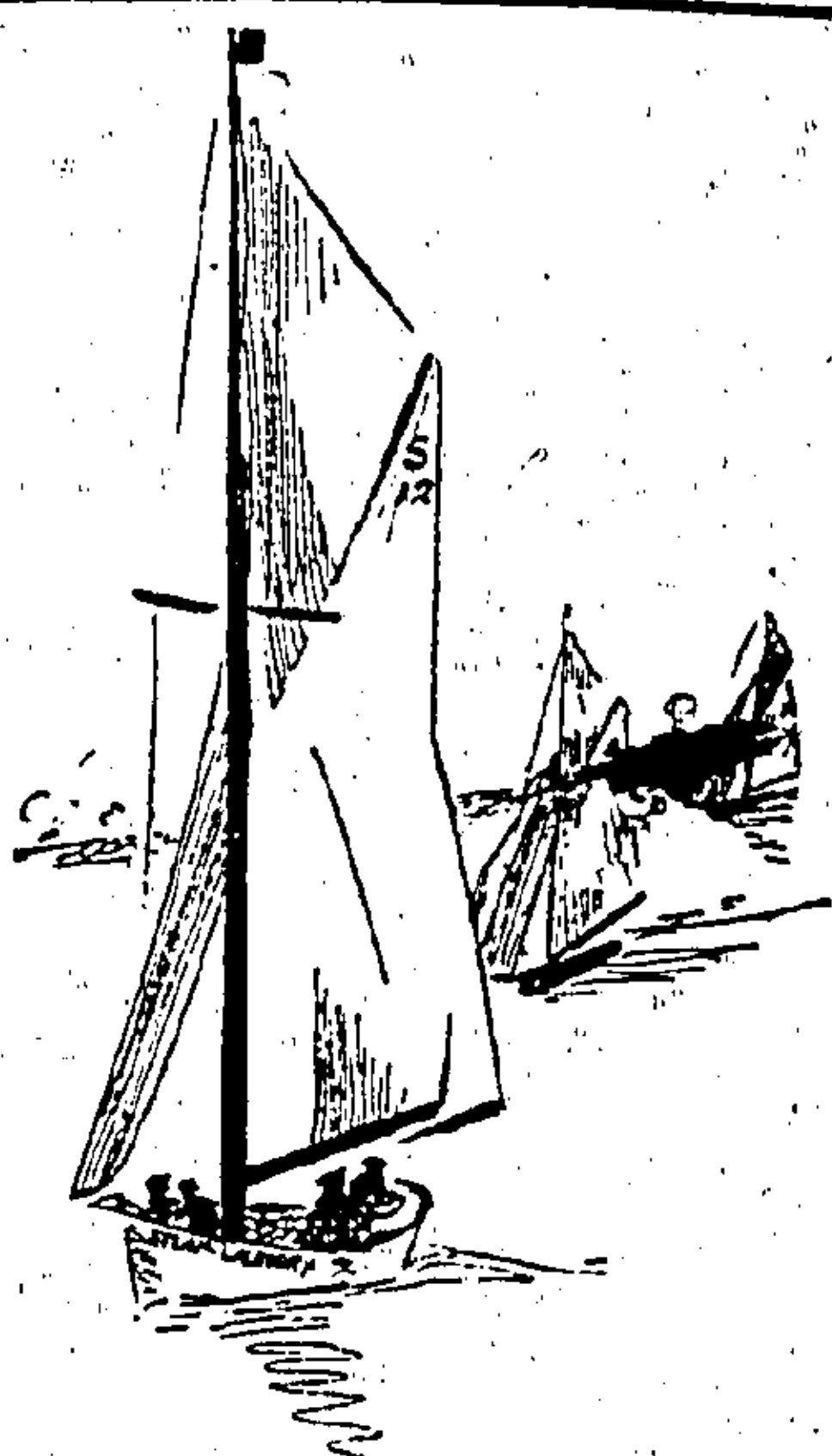
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OUR LONDON LETTER.

INTEREST IN THE FATE OF OLD KING COAL.

MILLIONS MORE BY WAY OF SUBSIDY.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, January 9th.

IS IT CRICKET?

A good deal of comment—some of it amusing—has been provoked here by the decision of the Australian Cricket Board of Control to bar absolutely any wife or other feminine relatives from coming to England while the cricket team from "down under" is in this country. It sounds very business-like and professional. In the brave days of old these international cricketing tours were regarded as sporting trips, and it was quite common for players to bring their wives with them. But it so happened that on one occasion there was a great deal of friction which undoubtedly had its origin among the Australian women. The trouble had something to do with the social side of the tour. In 1909 the Board of Control forbade wives or other relatives of players to accompany the team; and this has been the rule on the last two or three tours.

The present rule, however, goes further. There is to be no circumventing the ban by sending wives in advance, and the five married players must face eight months of grass widowhood—or stay at home. The rule is in no sense new. It has only been tightened up lest some one should evade its intentions, if not its letter, by sending Madame on ahead. On the face of it this may seem a drastic step. It has a bearing on the liberty of the subject which no British Government would attempt to enforce except in war-time; and it all seems very odd to Englishmen.

CIVIL SERVANTS' HOURS.

There is considerable unrest in Whitehall at the report that the Government intends to insist upon increasing the working hours of Civil servants. The average working day of Civil servants is seven hours, and the proposal is to make it eight hours. It is, of course, quite in accordance with the recommendation of the Anderson Committee which inquired into Civil Service conditions some years ago, but there was so much opposition at the time that nothing was done in the matter. Now in sympathy with the insistent cry for economy all round, and in view of the longer hours worked by hundreds of thousands in what are called "unsheltered occupations," it is said the time has come to put the Committee's recommendations into force.

About 40,000 members of different Government staffs are affected, and obviously if every one is doing another hour's work every day dismissals will become inevitable. At all events among the temporary staffs. This is sufficient to explain the outburst of indignation which may be heard disturbing the usual calm that pervades Whitehall labyrinth. The question is whether the blow will really fall this time or be again postponed. Most people seem to think it is this time, and that Mr. Churchill is determined. We shall soon know for certain.

OLD KING COAL IN 1926.

Next week the Royal Commission on Coal will meet again after the Christmas holidays to complete the hearing of evidence, especially as regards the remedies to be put forward by both miners and mine-owners for the improvement of the industry. Although there has been some slight improvement in the coal trade in very solid hopes are based upon that fact. It is being said that if the report of the Royal Commission is not in the hands of the Government before the end of February it will be almost impossible to get any legislation that may be necessary passed before the expiry, at the end of April, of the nine months for which the subsidy was granted. Leaving aside suggestions which have been made, such as the State ownership of royalties and the amalgamation of mines, it is possible that the Royal Commissioners may have something very important to say on the distribution of coal, as a means of reducing the selling price.

Already Parliament has voted £18,000,000 towards the cost of the subsidy until the end of the financial year on March 31st. It is estimated that £23,000,000 more, being £23,000,000 altogether, will be required to see us through April as well as May 1st there will be additional cost. One thing seems to be taken as common ground, namely, that whatever policy for the future of the coal mines may be decreed by Parliament, after the Royal Commission has reported, it must be carried through without repetition of the experience of July last, when the subsidy was given at the last moment as the only way of averting the closing down of the mines.

DICTATOR NUMBER THREE.

In this country where Parliamentary Government is still thought to be the best method yet invented by erring mortals to carry on organised society, the reports just published that General Pangalos has become Dictator of Greece does not create even mild excitement. General Pangalos proclaimed himself Dictator of Greece at a banquet given in his honour. He was until that moment merely the Prime Minister, but as he confided to the enthusiastic diners he found that "Parliamentary Government is the cause of all our troubles." His plan—a much better one he considers—may be summed up in the phrase, a strong Army.

Force, and nothing but force, is, of course, the basis of all Dictatorships.

But force is out of place as a system of Government in the modern world. I do not anticipate that Pangalos will have a long career. The Dictatorships as post-war Europe knows them are only part of the epidemic of Bolshevism, and that will assuredly pass.

SIR JOHN LE SAGE.

Generous tributes are paid in the Press to Sir John Le Sage whose death has taken at his home at Putney, aged 88 years. After 60 years connection with the *Daily Telegraph*, being editor for the great part of that long period, he retired a couple of years ago. He started as a reporter on the paper in its early days in the 'fifties of the last century. The *Daily Telegraph* was then able to boast the distinction of being the first penny morning daily in London, and he was fortunate in gaining the confidence of Mr. Lawson, the grandfather of the present Lord Burnham. When Lord Burnham's father succeeded as proprietor, Le Sage retained this good-will, which was also extended to him by the present peer. The *Daily Telegraph* is one of the very few remaining journals in this country with a national status as an organ of opinion which is a family property. Perhaps this personal control is why it has retained its position and popularity as the great paper of the middle-classes. It is sound, trustworthy, well-written, moderate in tone, and it never engages in "stunts" in the hope of gaining new readers, by sensational methods.

Sir John was something of a recluse as modern London editors go, for he never went out to dinners, nor did he appear at ceremonials. He lived simply and solely for his newspaper. Whoever else might be absent from the office, he was always there—alert, watchful, absolutely bound up in his job. He had no other aim in life. He was not a reading man, he took little part in general conversation, and except for some interest in the drama he cared for nothing in the world but the paper. No wonder he had the confidence of his employers. He certainly deserved it. But in Fleet Street he was scarcely known even by sight outside the office. To the present generation of journalists he was the archetype of remorseless routine and indefatigable attention to editorial detail. The present Lord Burnham was, I believe, responsible for telling the world in general of Sir John's one journalistic motto, "When in doubt, don't." It is excellent advice for every newspaper writer. But the point is lost if it is not recalled that Sir John Le Sage could work on that motto just because his admirable and swift judgment so rarely left him in doubt.

ROADSIDE FRUIT TREES.

The Ministry of Transport are thinking of using the Road Improvement Act recently passed to encourage the planting of fruit trees—and also other trees—along the roadsides of England. Objection is being raised that fruit trees need to be sprayed in order to keep down insect pests, and this would be out of the question. The result would be, therefore, that orchards would suffer in consequence. This, of course, is a serious objection, but I understand it does not impress the Ministry so much as another and quite different one—the psychology of English schoolboys.

The question is whether fruit so temptingly displayed would not be constantly raided by all the small boys of the neighbourhood. The Ministry have various answers to this object. The most ingenious is that the boy raids fruit trees only when there is a spice of adventure to spur him on. If the trees simply stand on the roadside waiting to be raided he will not bother about them. Another still more disarming answer is that if the fruit is raided no one will care. The trees are to be planted for their blossom in the Springtime, not for their fruit.

This is all very plausible, and rather amusing in a way. But I think the real danger of raids is not from schoolboys but from adult trippers in char-a-bancs. There are few English roads in the Summer which are not frequented by these vehicles, and although the trippers would probably not mean to do much harm one can imagine the efforts of successive parties to help themselves to a few tempting trophies would injure the young trees beyond all hope of recovery.

HADDON HALL AGAIN.

The interesting announcement is made that the Duke of Rutland is going back again to live at Haddon Hall. For over a hundred years the historic house had been regarded by visitors from all over the world as a national relic with its days of domesticity in the far past. The disappointment at the news that it will probably be closed to the public must be tempered with some satisfaction that Haddon is fit to live in at all.

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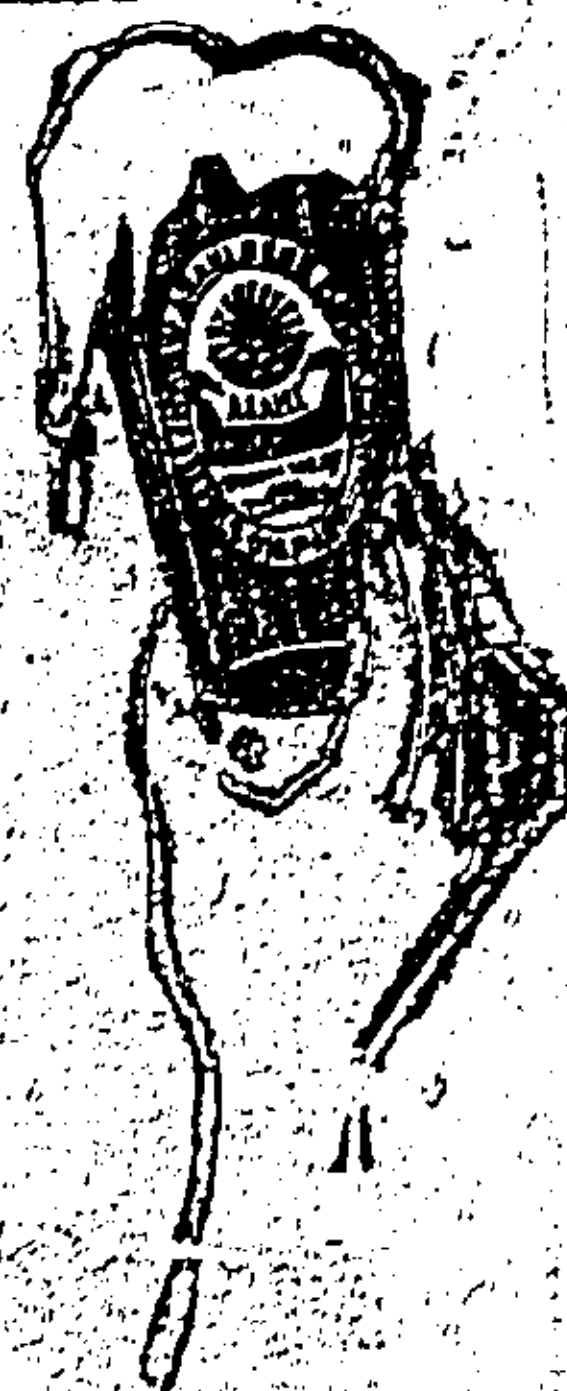
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DR. LIM BOON KENG CRITICISES.

**GOVERNOR'S UNIVERSITY
SPEECH.**

Dr. Lim Boon Keng, Principal of the Amoy University, in a letter to the *Singapore Free Press*, replies to the recent speech by His Excellency Sir Cecil Clementi, at the Hongkong University, on the shortcomings of the Chinese language, as follows:—

With due respect to Sir Cecil Clementi, whose learned address delivered at the Hongkong University on the difficulties of the Chinese language shows that he has given the subject much thought and study, I beg to differ from His Excellency's opinions, on a few points which are of great importance.

(1) There is no Fukien dialect in which the word for Tea is pronounced Ti, as Sir Cecil alleges. Tea was originally brought to Europe evidently by the Dutch who had factories in Formosa, from Amoy, where Tea is called Tay—just as the Malays all over Malaya pronounce it. The French word *the* confirms this. The German *the* is also sounded Tay. The natives of London in Cockney fashion pronounce Tea more like the Malay Tay than Ti.

(2) The differences of dialects in China are due to the same kind of causes which produce dialects elsewhere. The Mandarin language is now the lingua franca of all educated Chinese. In Amoy University, students from all parts of China speak Mandarin, and listen to lectures in Mandarin. Throughout Malaya, through the movement started by me and others in 1894, Mandarin is now the common speech of all educated Chinese.

(3) Mistranslation Buddhist sutras. Sir Cecil Clementi evidently forgets that many Sanskrit words appear in Buddhist literature, just as many Latin terms occur in Catholic publications. The Buddhists read the sutras in Sanskrit written in Chinese phonetically. With regard to the name Kwan Yin—surely the Buddhist pioneers never intended to convey such "nonsense" as "overlooking sound" to the practical Chinese. The Chinese word Yin does not necessarily mean sound; thus Yu Yin—literally "happiness-sound"—which seems quite ridiculous enough, but they are the equivalent of the Greek word for gospel. Kwan Yin is the title of "the Goddess of Mercy" and is an abbreviated form of Kuan Shih Yin p'u-sen, i.e., the Bodhisattva whose interests are in this world. Kuan equals regard, or look after; Yin equals noise, sound, effects; Shih Yin equals the world's noise—i.e., world's affairs. Kuan Yin then means "interested in the affairs of the world"—quite a very different thing from "the nonsense" of "overlooking sound"—which Sir Cecil made it out to be.

It may be of interest to remind your readers of the fact that Kuan Yin refused to enter Paradise till hell fire should be extinguished, and the last lost soul should have been extricated. Hence the title of Goddess of Mercy, given to one of the many transformations of this celebrated Bodhisattva.

The challenge of His Excellency to the academicians of China is absurd and ridiculous since the greatest Oriental scholars have acknowledged their debt to the Chinese translations of Sanskrit texts. The Chinese were not "baffled" as Sir Cecil imagined, but had a definite object in merely making phonetic translation just as the Catholics write down in English: "Pater noster" and "ave maria" purposely, not because they do not know the English equivalents.

(4) Chinese only "a kind of linguistic bed of Procrustes" fit only to hold Chinese ideas and unsuitable for word, and thoughts alien to the Chinese. I sincerely regret to say that the distinguished orator is totally wrong, although it is true foreigners find it difficult to express technical matters in Chinese, and even Chinese scholars find it difficult to understand English. But this has nothing to do with the nature of the language.

Einstein has been translated into Japanese and Chinese. Every subject of modern science has been ably translated into intelligible Chinese. Japanese have used Chinese entirely in their translations. The modern Europeans have had to fall back upon Greek and Latin roots, except the Germans who delight in their own unchangeable polysyllables of Teutonic origin.

The fact that certain relations, have to be adopted does not mean that a translation is not possible. Why, the Arabic numerals and Greek letters in English do not diminish the value of English works in mathematics.

I have myself heard most abstract lectures in Chinese on logic, psychology, biology and evolution, and I have myself talked on fairly abstruse problems of modern medicine, such as Ehrlich's side chain theory and Professor Leo of the University of Amoy discourses on the most recent questions of argonite and analytical chemistry entirely in Chinese.

The fact is that Chinese is unique among the languages of the world. Its contemporaries of 3,000 B.C. have all been dead long ago—even those of 800 B.C. are quite extinct. The classical languages of Greece and Rome are only kept alive in the schools and Universities. But the language of Confucius is still the language of China to-day, and of the Far East for the Koreans, Japanese, and Annamites can communicate with the Chinese by means of the Chinese script.

Of course, there are difficulties in translation, but they occur in all languages and are of the same nature; and they depend upon the idiosyncrasies of different authors, wishing to adopt different roots and different interpretations.

(Continued on next column.)

WEDDING IN KOWLOON.

WYATT-BLAIR.

A pretty wedding, took place at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, yesterday, when the contracting parties were J. R. G. Wyatt, son of Mrs. Wyatt, of Shrewsbury, England, and the late Mr. I. Wyatt, of Bournemouth, and Isabella Alice Blair, of the Kowloon British School, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Blair, of Perth, Western Australia, and formerly of Inverness and Campsie, Scotland. The Rev. G. R. Lindsay officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by Mr. R. E. Atwell, of the Asiatic Petroleum Co., was charmingly attired in white satin beaute with trimmings of silver lace, and having a train of satin and silver lace applique. She wore an embroidered tulle veil and a wreath of orange blossoms and carried a bouquet of white roses and maiden hair fern.

Miss Evelyn Thompson, the bridesmaid, was attired in apricot crepe-de-Chine trimmed with deep silver lace, and hat en suite. She carried a bouquet of sweet peas and roses.

Mrs. R. E. Atwell, as matron of honour, wore a dress of black satin beaute, trimmings and cape of Chantilly lace, with medallions of beaten silver appliqued on gown. She also wore a smart French *chapeau*, and carried a bouquet of red roses and maiden hair fern.

After the ceremony a reception was held at "Kingsclere," Kowloon, when the following were among the guests: Mr. P. W. Southern, Capt. J. Thompson, R.A.S.C., and Mrs. Thompson, Mr. E. Ralphs, Capt. G. A. Clements and Mrs. Clements, Mr. and Mrs. Stark, Mr. and Mrs. Nightingale, Mr. and Mrs. Brawn, Mr. and Mrs. Way, and Mr. Handley Pegg.

The honeymoon is being spent at Repulse Bay, the bride's going-away costume being of deep wine coloured crepe satin trimmed with French embroidered velvet, worn with a beige hat.

OBITUARY.

MRS. ARTHUR H. SMITH.

With deep regret the death has been announced of Mrs. Emma Dickenson Smith, wife of the Rev. Dr. Arthur Smith, a prolific writer on Chinese subjects and best known perhaps as the author of "Chinese Characteristics." Death overcame Mrs. Smith at Tungshien, Chihli, at 8 o'clock in the morning of January 28th from peritonitis, deceased having lived to the ripe age of 76. Mrs. Smith had been ill for almost two months preceding her final illness.

The deceased, who was born in Beloit, Wisconsin, U.S.A., was one of the oldest living missionaries of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, and came to China with her husband in 1872. Her golden wedding was celebrated a couple of years ago when she and her husband received many honours and congratulations, not to mention expressions of appreciation from their Chinese friends, among whom they had spent their life.

The burial took place in the Tungshien Church Cemetery.

THE WATER SUPPLY.

The monthly Water Return gives the storage in the reservoirs supplying the City as 1,018 million gallons on February 1st against 1,332 million on the same date last year. The consumption during January was 218 million gallons against 268 million in January, 1925. Though not stated in the return the supply was no doubt intermittent during January, 1926, and is stated as partially intermittent in 1925.

At Kowloon the storage is 201 million gallons against 236 million on February 1st last year and 263 million a month ago. The consumption during the month was 70 million gallons against 64 million in January last year, and 68 million in December, 1925, with full supply in all months. It will be seen that Kowloon has now little more than 3 months supply in the Reservoirs.

The Water Authority notifies by advertisement to-day that owing to the Chinese New Year holidays a constant supply of water will be given in all rider main districts to-morrow and Friday.

On the other hand, it is also a fact that certain specifically Chinese ideas can hardly be translated literally into English, or any European language. The Chinese have many terms expressing relations and relationships that require lengthy descriptions. But this is really not peculiar to Chinese.

(6) It is a pleasure to find myself in agreement with Sir Cecil in his advocacy of a second language, and of English as such a language; though his reasons are not sound. Chinese is not "a very refractory medium for interpretation of Western ideas." English as a second language is necessary in order to hasten the acquisition of Western thought and culture, since the number of translated books is still inadequate.

I have ventured to make the above criticism since the high position of Sir Cecil Clementi may mislead many readers of his speech into thinking that the Chinese language is really "the linguistic bed of Procrustes" which His Excellency the Governor of Hongkong seems to believe it to be. Chinese newspapers to-day discuss daily and comment upon world events and scientific progress without the slightest difficulty, and the University of Amoy, or any Chinese University for that matter, will be exceedingly pleased to send to Hongkong a lecturer to discourse upon any Western topic in pure and elegant Chinese at any moment.

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MUSICAL MARVEL.

**MESSRS. MOUTRIE'S GREAT
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A new talking machine, said to be one of the outstanding musical events of the season, was demonstrated before a gathering of well-known Colonists, educational authorities, musicians and teachers by Messrs. S. Moutrie and Co., Ltd., at the Roof Garden at the Hongkong Hotel last evening.

The machine is known as the Ortho-phonie Talking Machine, and it is described by acoustical experts and musical authorities to be not less than 100 per cent. more efficient than any previous development in the reproduction of sound from a record. The private demonstration last evening had been arranged to give leaders in local musical circles an opportunity to hear the instrument before it makes its formal bow, at a public demonstration which will take place on Thursday.

Developed upon the same basic principles which made possible long-distance telephone communication, the Ortho-phonie Talking Machine is described as a mechanical instrument which reproduces accurately practically the entire range of musical sound. Its outstanding virtue is said to be the elimination of all unmusical vibrations which marred reproductions on old-type instruments, and the extraordinarily faithful preservation of tone colour. Notes which heretofore could not be reproduced at all, or were so distorted as to be unpleasant or almost unrecognizable, are now said to be given forth by the Ortho-phonie instrument in all their true beauty.

Instruments which in the past have been the despair of the talking-machine laboratories are now recorded and reproduced with uncanny accuracy, say experts who have heard the new instrument. The piano reproduction is that of the real instrument, with all its magnificent range. The harp can be distinguished clearly, the drums weave their resonant background, and the various other instruments preserve their true individuality, while blending with fidelity in the ensemble.

DELIGHTFUL PROGRAMME.

A varied and comprehensive musical programme was arranged to demonstrate the capacities of the new instrument in every field. The selections ranged from vocal solos to full band and orchestral ensembles, with a plentiful admixture of dance and specialty selections. First on the programme was the "Soldiers' Chorus" from Faust, sung by a full male chorus of forty, as against the maximum number of twenty-five possible under the old method. This selection is notable in that it carries the tenors to B flat, and has a very deep and strong bass. After it had been played first upon the new instrument and then upon the old, a burst of laughter testified to the striking contrast in range, volume and richness of tone. In this case, as in the following selection, the performance of the Ortho-phonie Talking Machine was greeted with waves of applause from the listeners.

The next selection was a Fox trot "Don't bring Lulu" whose deep and melodious tonal gradations contrasted with the brisk and sparkling vocal duet which followed. This novelty, "I Miss My Swiss," was sung by the Happiness Boys, affording a fine example of what is now possible in the way of capturing rapid dialogue and fine nuances of tonal expression. The very difficult reproduction of the "s" sounds was unusually clear.

A piano solo by Rachmaninoff was next in order. This selection—Beethoven's beautiful Variations in C minor—was heartily applauded, as it indicated very strikingly the complete elimination of the objectionable "banjo twang" noticeable in almost all previous piano recordings. The full, rich tones of the grand piano issued into the room with a startling fidelity and purity.

A violin rendition of "Aloha Oe," by Fritz Kreisler, demonstrated a marked improvement in this branch of recording, previously one of the most successful known. The wonderful tonal qualities of his Stradivarius were reproduced with such warmth and colour that it seemed almost as though the artist himself were in the room. Mixed choral selections from "No! No! Nanette" next showed the capacity of the new instrument to reproduce the combined male and female voices without losing in any degree the characteristic qualities of each.

A full ensemble of Creator's band playing "Syncope-Symphonic" march next gave opportunity for an exhibition of the brasses at their best, the sonorous volume and distinctive timbre of the instruments coming through without the faintest suggestion of "blasting." John Philip Sousa, upon hearing this number said: "For the first time I have heard a reproducing instrument with a soul. These men are playing from their hearts. I have really heard a band on a talking machine."

The programme was concluded with a splendid rendition of the "Marche Slave," by the Philadelphia Orchestra. Its preponderance of brass and immense variety of tone colour offered a test even to a symphony orchestra, not to mention reproducing instrument. This selection, in its tremendous scope, summed up all the accomplishment of the Ortho-phonie Talking Machine, and afforded a fitting climax to a notable musical event.

AN INTERVIEW.

In an interview, Mr. H. A. Jones, who conducted the demonstration, explained that heretofore there have been three chief defects in the talking machine—limited range, limited volume, and failure to bring out clearly the tone colour of the sounds recorded, that indefinable quality by which it is possible to distinguish between the various instruments or voices even when playing notes of the same pitch. "These difficulties," he continued, "have now been removed. The Ortho-phonie Talking Machine is capable of reproducing sounds as high as the highest note of the piccolo, or as low as the deepest tone of the bass viol. It can reproduce these tones as soft as a whisper, or as loud as a shout. And it can reproduce them in such a way that you can readily identify the notes of the violin, the cornet, the flute and every other variety of instrument or voice."

"One of the greatest achievements of the new method," he said, "is the successful reproduction of instruments, which before could not be properly recorded."

"The drum for the first time sounds like a drum," he said. "The harp sounds like a harp, and the piano, one of the most difficult of all instruments to record, comes into its own at last with an absolutely faithful and meritorious reproduction. It is obvious what this will mean to the world of music."

A public presentation of the Ortho-phonie Victoria will take place at S. Moutrie & Co.'s store on Thursday, beginning at 10 a.m., and continuing until 6 p.m.

The Ortho-phonie instrument will be played in comparison with the old-type instrument, to give its hearers an accurate conception of the vast musical advance that has been made.

MILITARY MOVEMENTS NEAR CANTON.

"FOR THE SUPPRESSION OF BRIGANDAGE."

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

During the past few days Canton has seen considerable movements of troops to points along the Canton-Kowloon Railway. The training division of the Kuomintang Army under General Wang Fu Liang, by order of the Officer Commanding, General Chiang Kai Shek, is concentrating in the Tungku District, east of Canton City. Details of the 1st Regiment are being stationed at Hutamen, Taiping, and Shakok and the entire 3rd Regiment at Tungku District.

The official explanation of these movements is that they are in connection with the suppression of brigandage and piracy in this part of Kwangtung.

At the same time General Wang Mau Kung of the 2nd Division of the Kuomintang Army, whose headquarters are in the City of Canton, has been strengthening the outposts of his command at Boccas Tigris, Bo-on, Sheungping, Shum-chun, Tsengshin, Shektaa, and other places.

General Chiang Kai Shek of the Kuomintang Army is resigning the post of Inspector-General of the Army, a position corresponding to that of the commander-in-chief, but this is regarded as official etiquette. He is expected to tender his resignation three times before he formally accepts the post.

General Liu Min Chih, Chief of Staff to the Tupan or Military Director of Kweichow, accompanied by another member of the Staff, is now in Canton on a visit. He paid a visit to the Kuomintang Government House on February 5th. They are in Canton, it is understood, to see if the reported Northern expedition against Peking has any substantial backing.

Ever since the Wuchow Conference in Kwangsi in the latter part of January, reports have been current of a proposed alliance of disappointed militarists—soldiers of fortune not now holding any important position and others unemployed—in the South-Western Provinces. The recent conference at Wuchow, besides the Kuomintang leaders in Kwangsi and Kwangtung, was attended by a number of militarists and politicians from other provinces of the South-West.

AN UNWELCOME MEMBER OF THE KUOMINTANG.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

It is reported by the Kuomintang Press agency that Mr. Lin Sun, formerly chairman of the Canton Diplomatic Mission to Peking, but recently reprimanded by the second conference of the Left Wing of the Kuomintang in Canton for having participated in actions unfavourable to the Canton faction, is to be expelled from the Canton Kuomintang altogether. Mr. Lin Sun, who at one time was President of the Chinese Senate, spent many years abroad, in America and in the Straits, and possesses considerable influence among the overseas Chinese. Mr. Lin regards the Canton régime as "Red," and says that he is going to tell this to the overseas Chinese. He asks that no more financial support may be remitted to Canton from Kuomintang Clubs outside China.

WHAMPOA HARBOUR SCHEME.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

Regarding the project for developing the harbour at Whampoa, the strikers supporting the scheme claim that a definite financial plan has been perfected and that preliminary work will be commenced within this half year. The Kuomintang Central Bank is issuing treasury bonds on behalf of the Kuomintang Government for \$3,000,000, and this may be a part of the financial plan.

TERRIBLE CRIME.

ACT OF REVENGE IN MACAO.

A Patria, the Macao daily newspaper, states that on Sunday at 7 p.m., four Chinese armed with knives entered a house, No. 3, Rua Formosa, asking for Tam Pao Hong. As soon as they effected entrance they attacked the man's wife, and wounded two children and also the maid-servant. The robbers made their escape.

The police are investigating the matter. It is supposed that the motive of the attack was revenge and not robbery.

THE VOLUNTEERS.

RIFLE MEET DATES FIXED.

In connection with the annual rifle meeting of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, it has been decided to hold this event on April 4th and 5th at Stonecutters.

The Corps has been divided into 15 units, which are allowed to enter teams, the Artillery Company forming one; the Engineers Field section another; Engineers Signal section; Engineers Lights section; Mounted Infantry; Armoured car section; mobile section; the separate platoon of infantry, and the others.

The competitions will be for the Blake Shield; the Francis Cup; musketry competition open to all members of the Corps; Tyro competition, open to all members who did not secure 65 points in part two course; the Jar Competition; Tilt competition; Corps championship (at various ranges); Reserve Challenge Cup; Revolver competitions, open, and for Volunteers only, for which competitors will be required to provide their own ammunition.

The most interesting event will be the attack competition in which advances will be made by the various teams entered of from 100 to 400 yards, five rounds being fired at silhouette targets appearing for 45 seconds at each stop.

The one and only change from previous years is that there is no all-comers' competition and that uniform will be compulsory. Entries close on March 20th.

SANITARY BOARD.

ELIMINATING MOSQUITOES AT SHEK O.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held yesterday. Those present were Mr. N. L. Smith (President); Dr. W. W. Pearce (M.O.H.); Dr. W. V. M. Koch, Dr. J. C. Macgown, the Hon. Mr. H. T. Creasy (Director of Public Works) and Mr. D. Davies (Secretary).

A letter from the Government relative to the appointment of Mr. Wong Kwong Tin as a member of the Sanitary Board for a further term of three years, and the proposed appointment of Mr. D. Davies, the Assistant Secretary of the Sanitary Board to act as Secretary vice Mr. G. S. Kennedy Skipton, transferred to another department, were laid on the table.

A letter was received from Mr. P. Hodgson, the Secretary of the Shek O Development Company, Limited, expressing appreciation of the assistance given by the Sanitary Board in the elimination of mosquitoes at Shek O. Some success had been attained.

COMMODORE'S DANCE.

TO BE HELD ON "TAMAR."

The annual official Commodore's Dance is to be held this evening on board H.M.S. Tamar, when four hundred guests are expected, including Vice-Admiral Sir Edwyn Alexanders Sinclair, H.E. Major-General C. C. Luard, and Lady Clementi.

Cars should enter at the main gate of the dockyard and leave by the Prince of Wales gate. The parking space provided will be the same as on the occasion of the Hawkins and Tamar dances—a portion of the football ground.

CORRESPONDENCE.

RISKS OF THEFTS FROM HOUSES.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

SIR,—Last Saturday morning two Chinese, who stated that they had been sent by the Telephone Company to test my telephone, visited my house, No. 367, The Peak.

As I hear from the Telephone Company that such visit was made without their instructions, it may be as well to warn householders against that class of visitors, who probably use their position or pretended position as employees of the Telephone or some other Company as a means of "sneaking out the land" with a possible view to theft.—Yours faithfully, H. E. POLLOCK.

FIRE AT TAIKOO DOCKYARD.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

SIR,—With reference to the Press reports which have appeared regarding the fire on the R.M.S. Empress of Australia statements, have been made that the water pressure at the Dockyard was insufficient. This, we would like to point out, is incorrect, the fire being extinguished by the ship's hose and hoses from the mains alone, without having to resort to pumps for extra pressure. In case of need the pumps on the salvage tug Zee, together with other salvage pumps, could have been called into requisition but this was found to be unnecessary. We trust you will give prominence to this so as to correct what may have been a serious misunderstanding of the facts.—Yours faithfully,

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INDIAN CONSTABLE'S DEATH.

POLICE ARMOURER'S IMPORTANT EVIDENCE.

SHANTUNG CONSTABLE'S STORY.

The hearing of the case in which Hsu Yuan Hua, a Shantung constable, is charged with the murder of Gulam Mahomed, an Indian constable, who was shot and killed by a revolver bullet near the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps Headquarters on the night of the Police Ball (January 22nd), was concluded before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy yesterday, the defendant being committed to stand his trial at the next Criminal Sessions.

Mr. T. M. Hazlegrig (Assistant Crown Solicitor) appeared to prosecute on behalf of the Crown. Defendant was not legally represented.

Mr. Clifford Greenwood, the Police Armourer, gave evidence that he examined the defendant's revolver on January 23rd. It was loaded in five chambers with live ammunition and there was an empty cylinder in one chamber. The revolver was in perfect working order and could not be fired by jarring it, or by a blow on the hammer. Pressure on the trigger was the only way in which it could be discharged. When it was at full cock a pressure of 8 lbs. was necessary, and for the double pull a pressure of 14 lbs. An examination with a lens revealed a scratch on the chamber which appeared to be new. It might have been caused by the revolver falling on the ground. Both sides of the barrel and the end of the muzzle bore recent scratches and all these were consistent with the revolver coming into contact with the ground. They could not have been made while the revolver was in its holster.

He had also examined the holster and found the leather disc was missing from the muzzle end. The worn appearance suggested that it had been missing for some time. There were fresh scratches on the outside of the holster and they looked as if they had been caused by a finger nail. When he examined the inside of the holster he found there were no marks of powder, scorching, or oil deposit.

ACCIDENTAL DISCHARGE IMPOSSIBLE.

If the revolver had been fired while in the holster he would have found such marks. He had tried to discharge it while buttoned in the holster and did not succeed. In his opinion, accidental discharge in the holster was impossible.

When he examined the Indian constable's revolver it was fully loaded with live ammunition and had not been fired recently. There were some new scratches on the butt plate and there was a little dust inside the holster flap.

When witness examined the tunic he found a bullet hole in the lower left front. There was a very slight scorching and an oil deposit around it. In the trousers there was a bullet hole in the left side below the waistband and the hole had also passed through the pocket. There was a corresponding hole in the shirt, the cloth around that being burned. A hole in addition to the bullet hole had been made.

Witness had come to the conclusion that the revolver had been held very near to the outer garment. He had since conducted experiments and the results of these confirmed his opinion. It must have been within an inch of the outer garment.

DEFENDANT'S ALLEGATION.

Defendant made a statement from the dock. He gave details of his beat on the night of January 22nd, and said that when he approached the place where the Indian constable was standing, the Indian said to him that the Inspector had asked him (the Indian) whether he had seen him (defendant). The Indian also said that if he had not told the Inspector that he had seen defendant he must have put him (defendant) on report.

Defendant went on to say that the Indian made an improper suggestion to him, following which a struggle ensued, defendant being pushed on the ground. As soon as he got up he abused the Indian in Cantonese and said that he (defendant) wanted to get the Indian's number in order that he could report him. The Indian struck him and defendant told the Indian that he had better not strike him, but go to the Central Police Station and see the Inspector. Defendant added that the Indian seized him by the arm and twisted it behind his back, causing him to fall to the ground. Defendant said he continued to abuse the Indian who took out the truncheon from defendant's pocket striking defendant on the leg and elbow. Defendant tried to blow his whistle, but the Indian saw him and dropped the truncheon and got hold of defendant's leg and pressed him to the ground.

The Indian tried to get hold of my revolver," continued defendant, while I was on my hands and knees and he was on top of me. He tried to pull my revolver out, but I prevented him.

Defendant went on to say that during the struggle he heard a shot and the revolver fell. The Indian also fell. Defendant picked up the revolver and put it in his holster.

"If I had shot him intentionally," concluded defendant, "I would have run away."

His Worship, as stated, committed defendant for trial.

BIG ARMS HAUL.

REVOLVERS AND AMMUNITION FROM THE "BENAVON."

REMAINDER OF ACCUSED DISCHARGED.

On December 12th, Chief Preventive Officer S. J. Clarke, accompanied by two European Revenue Officers and a party of Chinese Revenue Officers, visited the s.s. Benavon and discovered in the firemen's quarters in the fore-cabin hidden in bags, baskets and boxes, 51 revolvers, one Luger pistol, and 3,561 rounds of ammunition.

The Police Court proceedings in connection with this haul were concluded at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, when the remaining seven accused, involved in the case appeared before a full Court of two Magistrates, Mr. R. E. Lindsell and Major C. Willson, charged with the possession of arms or ammunition, or both.

It will be recalled that at the previous hearing of the case the other five accused (who made up the twelve men originally charged) were discharged by their Worships.

ACCUSED GIVE EVIDENCE.

Yesterday each of the seven accused went into the witness-box and gave evidence.

They stated that they left the ship to go ashore after it had moored to a buoy. Some of them went ashore to get paid off; while others were returning to the Benavon to continue the voyage. Prior to leaving the ship they locked their bags, baskets, and boxes, and handed the key to the No. 1 fireman (who was never found by the Police).

They emphatically denied possession of the revolvers and ammunition found among their personal belongings, and said that as far as they knew the weapons and ammunition were not in their bags, etc., when they locked them and went ashore. When they left the ship the fore-cabin was in a fairly tidy condition, although some of their belongings were lying about.

All the accused said that they knew that arms and ammunition had been found among their things when they were at a boarding house having food, but they continued to remain there as they knew the arms and ammunition did not belong to them.

In reply to a question, they said that it was the usual practice to give the No. 1 fireman the keys of their bags in case the Police wanted to search their belongings.

Mr. D. McCallum, who appeared for six of the accused, drew their Worships' attention to the conduct of these men from the time the ship entered the harbour. The evidence of the European Revenue Officers showed that they found the fore-cabin of the Benavon untidy. He thought their Worships could take their evidence as representative of the true state of affairs. They also stated that as they approached the ship they saw a lot of junks coming away from the ship. The private opinion of the Revenue Officers was that these firemen had nothing to do with it.

SOMEONE ELSE IMPLICATED.

After going further into the evidence that had been tendered, Mr. McCallum submitted that the No. 1 fireman, who had the men's keys, had something to do with it and was perhaps going to use the baggage of the various firemen to get the arms and ammunition ashore. He might not have been doing this and it might have been that there was someone who knew there were arms to be taken ashore, and that may have been why there were so many junks alongside. It was significant that the junks were alongside and also that the fore-cabin was obviously untidy.

The men who were implicated went ashore, after handing their keys to the No. 1 fireman, and they heard that arms and ammunition had been found whilst they were at the boarding house, some time before the Police arrived on the scene to enquire for them. They did not make any attempt to run away, but carried on in the ordinary way. They had also shown no hesitation whatsoever when asked to identify their bags, baskets, and boxes at the Harbour Office and Police Station. They had identified everything but the arms and ammunition of which they had all along emphatically denied possession. There was not the slightest attempt among them to escape, whilst being escorted by the Police to the Harbour Office, although they greatly outnumbered the Police.

He submitted to the Bench that this was not the conduct of guilty men.

A GRAVE DOUBT.

Mr. Leo d'Almada, who appeared for the remaining accused, thought that their Worships would be satisfied beyond all reasonable doubt that there must be conclusive evidence before them that a man or men had full knowledge of the weapons being in their baggage before they left the ship, before they could convict.

"A man would be most crazy and a glaring lunatic," said Mr. d'Almada, "if he came forward when asked to identify baggage and say: 'Yes that bag is mine, knowing that there were revolvers or ammunition, or both inside.'"

He submitted, in conclusion, that the evidence was very flimsy and that their Worships must be certain before convicting. There was a very grave doubt in the matter and as prisoners were always entitled to the benefit of the doubt, he asked their Worships to give them that benefit.

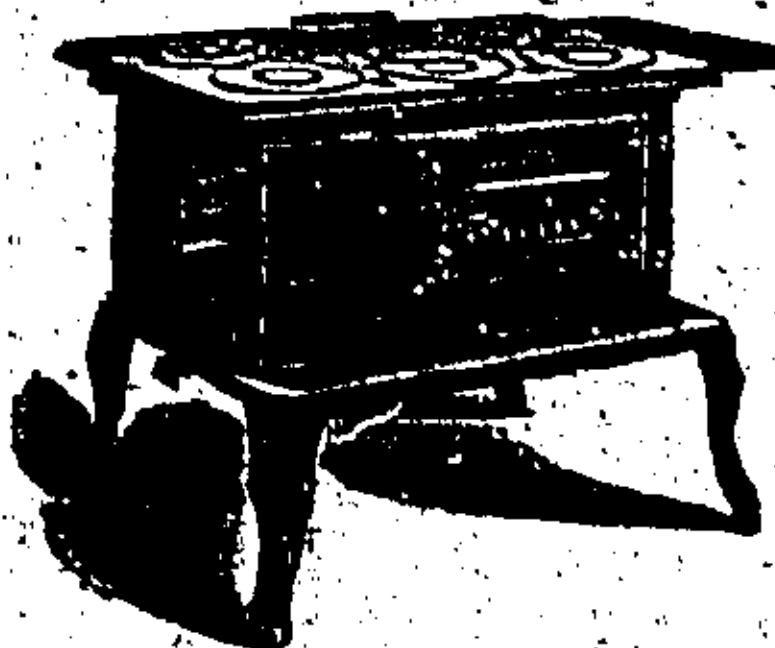
Mr. Lindsell commented that there was considerable doubt in the case both as regards the conduct of the search on board, and also some doubt from the defence as to whether the No. 1 fireman was implicated. It was doubtful whether the possession of any particular article in the charge had been brought home to the men.

Their Worships accordingly discharged all the accused.

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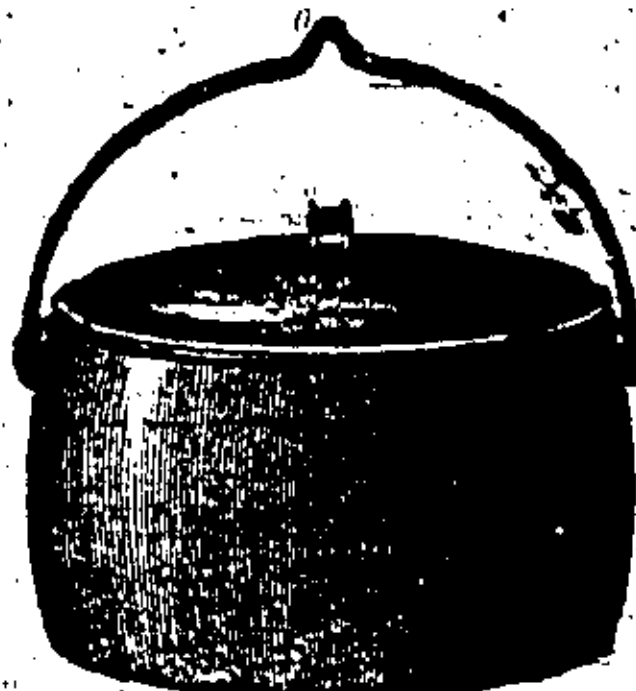
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IN accordance with Ordinance No. 3. of 1915, the EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the TRANSACTION of PUBLIC BUSINESS on SATURDAY and MONDAY, the 13th and 15th INSTANT. Hongkong, 9th February, 1926. [3168]

NOTICE.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that owing to the CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS A Constant Supply of WATER will be given in ALL RIDER MAIN DISTRICTS during THURSDAY and FRIDAY, the 11th and 12th INSTANT.

HAROLD T. CREESEY,
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Public Works Department,
Hongkong, 9th February, 1926. [3171]

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ALL Persons having Claims against the Estate of RUPERT WILLIAM BROADLEY, late Lightkeeper in the Chinese Customs Service who died at HOWT, SHANGHAI, on November 21st Last, are hereby Required to Forward Same on or before 31st MARCH, 1926, to the Under-signed, who has been appointed by H.M. Consular Court at Chefoo to administer the said Estate as an Officer of Court under Rule 295 (1) of the China Rules of Court 1905.

No Claims against the Estate received by the Under-signed after 31st MARCH, 1926, will be considered.

Persons owing Money to the Estate are Required to Pay Same to the Under-signed on or before 31st MARCH, 1926.

J. MILBANK.

H.B.M. Consulate,
Chefoo, 1st February, 1926. [3169]

KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY.

FANLING HUNT RACES.

MONDAY, 15th FEBRUARY, 1926.

A SPECIAL TRAIN will Leave Kowloon at 1.15 p.m. Arriving at Fanling at 1.50 p.m. Special Tickets will be issued for this Train at \$1.50 Return First Class, and 90 cents Return Second Class. Booking at Kowloon Station Only. No Other Tickets will be available. A Limited Number of Tiffin will be served on the Train. Tiffin must be booked (Telephone K 291) before MID-DAY on FRIDAY, the 12th INST. Trains Return from FANLING at 5.51, 6.10 and 6.20 p.m. The Train scheduled to Leave Kowloon at 5.29 p.m. is hereby Cancelled. A Train in Substitution will Leave for All Stations at 4.07 p.m.

By Order,

H. P. WINSLOW,

Manager.

Kowloon, 9th February, 1926. [3168]

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

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THE Motor Vessel "GLENOGLE" having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence, and/or from the wharves, delivery may be obtained.

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Hongkong, 9th February, 1926. [3173]

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Hongkong, 9th February, 1926. [3172]

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NOTICE.

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FANLING HUNT STEEPLECHASES.

CHINA NEW YEAR MEETING.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15th, 1926.

First Bell (Saddling Bell) 2.40 p.m.
Second Bell 2.55 p.m.
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HONGKONG TRAMWAYS, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the REGISTER OF MEMBERS of HONGKONG TRAMWAYS, LIMITED, will be CLOSED FROM FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12th to THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25th, 1926, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. F. SIMMONS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1926. [3140]

THE HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 4A, Des Voeux Road, on TUESDAY, 16th FEBRUARY, 1926, at 11 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, 2nd FEBRUARY, to TUESDAY, 16th FEBRUARY, 1926, both days inclusive, during which Period No Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN ARNOLD,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 26th January, 1926. [3121]

HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 20th FEBRUARY, 1926, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended 31st December, 1925.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 10th FEBRUARY to the 23rd FEBRUARY (both days inclusive), during which Period No Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 3rd February, 1926. [3143]

THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-NINTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., on TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23rd, 1926, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the Year ended DECEMBER 31st, 1925.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12th, 1926, to TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23rd, 1926, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
F. H. CRAPPELL,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, February 4th, 1926. [3145]

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at CHY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 27th FEBRUARY, 1926, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st DECEMBER, 1925.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 15th FEBRUARY, to SATURDAY, the 27th FEBRUARY, 1926 (both days inclusive), during which Period No Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
A. H. BARLOW,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1926. [3160]

INTIMATIONS

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, in pursuance of Article VII. (6) of the Articles of Association of this Company, the undermentioned Shares were FORFEITED ON THE 3rd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1926, by reason of the NON-PAYMENT OF CALLS Due thereon.

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11121 4 309459/309463

12311 70 309374/309443

12312 5 309444/309448

9409 141 275853/275903

9516 50 294482/294531

9517 20 294532/294581

9559 25 297129/297152

9558 10 297603/297612

9559 10 297613/297622

9559 10 297623/297632

9559 10 297633/297642

10180 10 479743/479752

10791 100 568107/568206

10792 100 568207/568306

10805 100 573116/573215

10806 100 573216/573315

9664 500 313113/313212

9665 500 313613/314112

9666 100 314113/314212

9667 77 314213/314289

11920 100 413302/413401

11039 2 589054/589055

10374 188 526861/527048

10397 4 529635/529638

10814 100 574303/574402

10828 14 576625/576638

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JENSEN.—At Shanghai, on February 3rd, to Mr. and Mrs. J. VATER JENSEN, a son.

LE ROUGETEL.—At Peking, on January 23rd, to MARY, wife of IAN LE ROUGETEL, Second Secretary in H.M. Diplomatic Service, a son.

DEATH.

SMITH.—At Tungshien, Chihli, on Jan. 26th, Mrs. EMMA DICKENSON SMITH, beloved wife of Dr. ARTHUR H. SMITH, of the American Board Mission, aged 74 years.

Hongkong Office: 1A, Chater Road. London Office: 131, Fleet Street, E.C.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 10th, 1926.

"RAISING THE WIND" AT PEKING.

The Government at Peking is always "hard with great difficulties" about this time of the year in finding enough money to "tide over the New Year Settlement." This year the difficulties would seem to have been extraordinarily great. The minimum sum the Government required was eight million dollars, and an issue of Treasury Notes for that amount was decided upon. Eight Chinese banks tentatively agreed to underwrite these notes at the rate of \$88 per \$100, the loan to bear interest at 8 per cent. per annum; but when the Inspector-General of the Maritime Customs refused to give these Treasury Notes priority rights over certain other bonds in the allocation of the Customs Surplus there was "a hitch in the negotiations," and it was stated in Chinese banking circles in Peking that without the guarantee of Sir FRANCIS AGLEN the bankers would never agree to underwrite this eight millions for the Government. But that

was not the only obstacle to the issue. The Militarists in the provinces had to be placated. It is reported that Marshals WU PAI FU, CHANG TAO LIN and SUN CHUAN FANG telegraphed to Sir FRANCIS AGLEN protesting against the loan. The Mukden War Lord also "threatened to punish the Chinese bankers who dared to underwrite these Treasury Notes."

Marshal WU PAI FU ordered the native banks at Hankow and Wuchang not to accept these Treasury Notes "as the issue will never be recognised by the coming new Government" at Peking, whatever may be the attitude of the Inspector-General of the Maritime Customs. Marshal SUN CHUAN FANG gave a similar warning to the Chinese Bankers' Association at Shanghai, declaring that the existing Administration in the North is not recognised by the majority of the provinces, and the issue of these Treasury Notes would be illegal. Both SUN and WU, we read, oppose the placing of the sinking fund under the control of Sir FRANCIS AGLEN or any other foreign employe of the Chinese Government "as it would mean tightening the grip of the Powers on the national finances of China." It is an unpromising outlook for the bankers and the Government at Peking. If they get from Sir FRANCIS AGLEN the assurances they desire—of which there would seem to be no prospect—they are still faced with the possibility of a boycott of the Treasury Notes by the Militarists who are "agin the Government." Nor is the outlook cheerful for the multitude who are expecting the Government to settle up before the end of the week. A large part of the money appears to be needed to meet "extraordinary military expenses of the Kuomintang Armies on the Teuchow and Shanhaikuan fronts." They, at least, may find some means of getting these expenses met; but what of the crowd of civil officials who have been clamouring for weeks past for payment of long arrears of salary, and clinging to the hope contained in this promise of the issue of eight million dollars of Treasury Notes? But, if past experience is anything to go by on the present occasion, the Government will manage somehow to get enough to keep the peace over the New Year. There is no news yet that the Acting Finance Minister, who took over the portfolio only a few weeks ago, is threatening to resign—and that is a good indication either that the Treasury Bonds are to be issued or some other means of getting the required funds has been discovered.

Three robbers entered a house in Wu Hu Street, Hunghom, on Monday afternoon, and stole \$100.

Major S. M. H. Baillie, 5/2nd Punjab Regiment, has been granted a further extension of his leave for six months until August 3rd.

A Chinese woman was removed to the Kwong Wah Hospital on Monday suffering from a bite in the leg by a dog. The latter was removed to Kennedy Town for observation.

CABLE AND WIRELESS NEWS.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

CAIRO TO CAPE TOWN.

ROYAL AIR FORCE FLIGHT BEGINS IN MARCH.

RUGBY, February 9th.

A Royal Air Force flight from Cairo to Cape Town with four machines is due to leave Heliopolis aerodrome on March 1st, and both the personnel and aircraft are now in Egypt.

The flight is purely a service operation designed to test the general organisation. It does not aim at spectacular results; but the value of the flight of British aircraft, flying over and landing in a long chain of British controlled territory which extends from north to south, cannot be over-estimated.

The schedule of the trip provides for stays of two to three days at almost every place of importance.

The machines chosen for the flight are Fairley Third D. aeroplanes fitted with land undercarriages, and Napier Lion 450 horse-power engines.

The total mileage of the flight is 5,206, and the principal points en route are Assuan, Khartoum, Malakal, and Mongalia in the Soudan; Kisumu and Mwanza, on the verge of Lake Victoria; Tabora, in Tanganyika; Abercorn, Broken Hill, Livingstone, and Bulawayo, in Rhodesia; Victoria, and Johannesburg in the Transvaal; Bloemfontein in the Orange Free State; and Cape Town.

By arrangement with the Belgian authorities the machines will fly over a portion of the Belgian Congo in order to avoid the detour which would be necessary to remain in British territory.

A period of six weeks has been allowed for the journey in view of the many long stops.

The route is mainly that followed by Mr. Alan Cobham, who is now delayed in Johannesburg owing to the illness of his mechanic.

HEALTH INSURANCE.

REPORT OF ROYAL COMMISSION NEARLY READY.

RUGBY, February 9th.

The Royal Commission which was appointed last Summer to report on the whole financial structure of the Health Insurance Acts has now completed its task, and its report is expected at the end of the month.

There are about fifteen million insured persons under the State scheme, which is on a contributory basis and provides medical, institutional, and money benefits during sickness. The medical benefit is administered by 15,000 doctors, and many thousands of chemists acting under Insurance Committees.

Some far-reaching administrative changes will, it is anticipated, be recommended by the Royal Commission, and the Daily Herald believes that extended benefit, providing for dental and other specialist treatment, may be proposed.

EMPIRE WIRELESS.

LINKING UP SMALL OR ISOLATED COMMUNITIES.

RUGBY, February 9th.

Professor Eccles, who is a leading authority on wireless, suggests in a letter to the Times, to-day, that a further step toward maintaining intercommunication within the Empire could be effected if the smaller or isolated communities in the Empire were equipped with inexpensive short wave stations, which would enable them to communicate with each other and to reply to Rugby station.

He points out that wireless links provided by the completion of the high power station at Rugby, by the erection of British and Dominion beam stations, and by the re-organisation of Oxford, Cairo, and Northolt stations, provide, together with the elaborate network of cables, almost continuous telegraphic communication between the larger communities of the Empire. The short wave stations would, he estimates, cost less than \$2,000 each to equip.

FLOODS IN ENGLAND.

RIVER NEN BURSTS ITS BANKS.

RUGBY, February 9th.

The wet weather, which has persisted for the past fortnight, has resulted in considerable flooding of English rivers. Most serious results have occurred in the Midlands and Northampton, where the streets are flooded owing to the river Nene bursting its banks.

The valley of the Trent is also inundated, and although the authorities have taken every precaution to deal with the rising waters of the Thames, it is expected that the results of the week-end rains will be felt to-day.

BRITISH INDUSTRIES FAIR.

The organisation of the British Industries Fair, both in London and Birmingham, is now practically complete. An exceptionally large number of inquiries has been received from foreign buyers.

POSITION IN MIDDLE EAST.

GREAT BRITAIN'S POLICY IN EGYPT AND IRAK.

RUGBY, February 9th.

Mr. L. S. Amery, Colonial Secretary, spoke at Leeds on Britain's position in the Middle East. He said that Great Britain could not get out of Egypt. Sir Austen Chamberlain, the Foreign Secretary, had found it necessary to make it clear that, whilst Great Britain desired to encourage Egyptian national life, she must pay regard to Great Britain's Imperial rights and responsibilities both in regard to the safety of British communications through Egypt and the British position in the Soudan.

With regard to Iraq, Mr. Amery said that, whereas we had costly armies there a few years ago, we now kept it secure by a mere handful of troops and a small but efficient air force. Recent developments had been carried out not by a high hand imposed on an unwilling people, but by the people of the country themselves with the aid of British officials.

The country was now in a position to pay its own way, and nothing stood in the way of greater development except a certain want of security as to the future. The people of Iraq had asked what we were going to do at the end of 1925. Were we going to quit the country without any future form of co-operation, or were we to renew the present Treaty in some form and give Iraq considerable security? They were also anxious to know whether they were to retain their present frontiers or whether Britain would hand over certain portions around Mosul to the clamour of the Turks? These two questions had now been cleared up.

The Council of the League of Nations, by a unanimous decision, had held that the case of Iraq was a good case. They added that Great Britain should not clear out of Iraq at the end of 1925, but would continue her co-operation with that country. He believed that, so far from creating a new war, that settlement was providing the basis for a future friendly understanding with Turkey, against whom we bore no grudge, and with whom we wished to continue to live on terms of complete friendship.

Referring to Palestine, Mr. Amery said that Great Britain had undertaken to provide the Jews with a national home only on condition that they inflicted no harshness or injustice on the Arab population. That was Great Britain's policy and it would be continued.

WIRELESS OPERATORS' STRIKE.

LABOUR DEPARTMENT MEDIATES FOR SETTLEMENT.

RUGBY, February 9th.

Mr. H. B. Betterson, Under-Secretary for Labour, stated in the House of Commons that his Department had been in constant communication with both parties in the marine wireless dispute with a view to arranging a settlement.

The position to-day was that the Wireless Operators' Association had informed the Department that the proposals of the employers were unacceptable. Both parties included a reference to arbitration in their proposals, but differences existed as to the basis of arbitration and as to the terms on which work was to be resumed.

A communication had been sent to the employers to-day, and it was hoped that it might be possible to arrange a joint meeting when their reply had been received.

SOVIET AND DISARMAMENT.

ATTITUDE QUESTIONED IN HOUSE OF COMMONS.

RUGBY, February 9th.

Questioned in the House of Commons as to the attitude of the Soviet Government toward the preliminary discussions on disarmament, Sir Austen Chamberlain (Foreign Secretary) said that so far as he was aware the Soviet Government had not yet officially replied to the invitation to take part in the preparatory conference for the Disarmament Conference. He understood that it objected to Geneva as the place of meeting, as it was not in diplomatic relations with the Swiss Government. The British Government had not had occasion to express an opinion on the subject. He hoped that any difficulty would be removed before the date of the meeting.

BRITAIN AND ITALY.

IMPORTANT STATEMENT BY PRIME MINISTER.

RUGBY, February 9th.

The Prime Minister (Mr. Stanley Baldwin) stated in the House of Commons, in reply to a question, that no political or commercial arrangements or concessions had been entered into with the Italian Government in connection with the war debt settlement.

FATAL AIR FLIGHT.

PILOT KILLED AND LIEUTENANT INJURED.

RUGBY, February 9th.

The Air Ministry announced that as the result of an accident to a Bristol fighter at Heliopolis, Egypt, on Saturday last, Flying Officer Tremellon (pilot) was killed and Flight Lieutenant Sturley Simpson was seriously injured.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

LIBERAL AMENDMENT TO ADDRESS REJECTED.

LONDON, February 9th.

Sir John Simon (Liberal, Spen Valley) moved the Liberal amendment dealing with education when the debate on the Address in Reply was continued.

The amendment particularly took exception to the recent substitution of block grants for a percentage grant, which it was considered would paralysed educational progress.

Sir John Simon argued that the proposed grant of a fixed sum encouraged a backward educational authority to do as little as possible beyond complying with the minimum requirements. He contrasted this move, which he declared represented a new policy, dictated by an embarrassed Chancellor of the Exchequer, with the latter's generous policy toward Italy in connection with the debt settlement agreement at the expense of the British taxpayer.

Lord E. Percy (Conservative, Hastings) replying to the debate, said that the present grant system was unsatisfactory, and the block grant system was the obvious development of the present system.

The Duchess of Atholl (Conservative, Perth and Kinross, W.) said that the Government's action was due to the state of the country's finances because the Government must know how much it had to provide for education each year. The Government hoped to resume the full programme at the earliest possible.

The Liberal amendment was rejected, the division resulting:—

Against 284

For 135

Majority 149

The Address was thereupon agreed to.

TRADE FACILITIES ACT.

EXTENSION OF GUARANTEES BY GOVERNMENT.

LONDON, February 9th.

A White Paper announces that the Government proposes to extend the period in which guarantees may be given under the Trade Facilities Acts from March 31st next to March 31st, 1927, and to increase the total capital amount of loans the principal or interest of which may be guaranteed under the Acts from £70,000,000 to £75,000,000.

It is estimated that on March 31st next the authority for £5,000,000 guarantees will not be used. Therefore, the maximum contingent charge on the taxpayer under these proposals to be charged for interest and redemption will be a sum of £10,000,000.

It is also proposed to extend the date during which the Board of Trade may give guarantees under the Overseas Trade Acts and the date to which guarantees may remain in force from September 8th, 1926, and September 8th, 1930, to September 8th, 1929, and September 8th, 1933, respectively.

The Overseas Trade Acts authorised the Board of Trade to make arrangements in connection with export trade for granting credits and giving guarantees to an amount not exceeding £26,000,000.

ITALY AND GERMANY.

MUSOLINI'S SPEECH RAISES STORM.

BERLIN, February 9th.

The German newspapers are up in arms against Signor Mussolini on account of his speech in the Italian Chamber, the Nationalists describing him as a "megalomaniac and amateur politician," and declaring that Germany, being disarmed, is unable to give the reply which the speech deserves.

The Democratic papers are also very bitter. Whilst not trying to excuse the Bavarian Premier, whose incursions into foreign politics caused the attack, they declare that the Italian Premier was not justified in indulging in "such insulting attacks on the German nation." They caustically remark that the speech is scarcely calculated to do Mussolini honour as a signatory of the Locarno agreement and the spirit of Locarno appears to be gradually waning.

It is generally felt that Mussolini is making a mountain out of a molehill as the German Government itself does not approve of the Bavarian campaign.

Dr. Stresemann (Minister for Foreign Affairs) is expected to reply in the Reichstag on Tuesday.

REPLY IN PUBLIC.

BERLIN, February 9th.

The German Cabinet spent most of its time to-day discussing Mussolini's speech, and its decision to reply in open session in the Reichstag on Tuesday is generally approved.

The speech is unanimously described as an unjustified attack on Germany, whose opinion, it is reported, is that it expressed such words as would formerly have been regarded as a threat of war.

REPRISALS IN MUNICH.

LONDON, February 9th.

The Daily News correspondent in Berlin states that as a result of Mussolini's anti-German speech, shopkeepers and housewives at Munich have begun a boycott of Italian oranges, and the following notice has been posted in railway stations: "Germans who propose to visit Italy are traitors."

GERMANY AND LEAGUE.

APPLICATION FORWARDED TO GENEVA.

BERLIN, February 9th.

The German Cabinet has unanimously approved of the text of Germany's application for admission to the League of Nations, which is being forwarded to Geneva to-night.

WHAT GERMANY CAN DO.

BERLIN, February 9th.

A semi-official note with reference to Germany's application for admission to the League of Nations deprecates cherishing illusory hopes of what Germany can attain through membership, but declares that Germany can work within the League on international questions like the revision of impracticable treaties, whose maintenance endangers the peace of the world, and co-operate in universal disarmament. Furthermore, the League has taken over a number of special problems which are vitally important to Germany like the administration of the Saar, the security of Danzig, racial minorities, and colonial mandates, a share in which the German people justifiably claims.

ROYAL INDIAN NAVY.

TO BE CREATED AS COMBATIVE FORCE.

DELHI, February 9th.

Addressing the Council of State, the Viceroy announced the reconstruction of the Indian Marine and the creation of the Royal Indian Navy as a combatant force, flying the White Ensign, in which Indians will be commissioned.

DUTIES ON SILK.

LONDON, February 9th.

In the House of Commons Mr. Ronald McNeill stated that the total net revenue from silk duties to January 31st was £2,163,000 including £246,000 excise duty on artificial silk.

KRASSIN'S ILLNESS.

PARIS, February 9th.

The Soviet Embassy says that the blood transfusion with which Mr. Krassin (Soviet Ambassador-elect to Great Britain) is being treated is producing the desired effect, but a long rest is necessary.

FOOTBALL AT HOME.

TWO SECOND LEAGUE MATCHES.

LONDON, February 9th.

Two Second Division football matches were played to-day with the following results:—

Oldham, 0; Darlington, 1.

Wolverhampton, 4; Notts Forest, 0.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

ADVERSE FACTORS ASSIST A BEAR RAID.

NEW YORK, February 9th.

After several weeks' slow and gradual advance heavy declines in many stocks have occurred in the Stock Market to-day as a result of a bold raid by the bears, who were assisted by several adverse factors, including the announcement that the Government was planning to investigate the Ward Baking merger and by rumours that the proposed merger of the Postum Cereal Corporation and the California Packing Corporation had been declared off.

These two stocks crumpled precipitately, the California Packing Corporation's stock falling over twenty points and Ward Baking's eleven points. The rest of the market declined sympathetically, but signs of a recovery appeared during the last hour. Oil and railroads noticeably made a particularly good recovery.

INJUNCTION REQUESTED.

BALTIMORE, February 9th.

A petition in equity under the anti-trust laws has been filed in the Federal Court requesting an injunction to prevent the Ward Baking interests and others from forming a "huge" combination in the baking industry.

Seven corporations, headed by the Ward Food Products Corporation, which was incorporated in Maryland last week at an assessed capital of two billion dollars, are named in the suit. The petitioners include Attorney-General Sargent.

The action is unique, as it is seeking to prevent a combination in restraint of trade. The alleged plan was to bring substantially all the wholesale bakeries in the country under a single head, thus eliminating all competition among them.

AMBASSADORS' EXPENSES.

REVELATIONS BY LATE DR. PAGE'S SON.

WASHINGTON, February 9th.

Giving evidence before the Foreign Affairs Committee in the House of Representatives, which is considering the Bill to appropriate \$5,000,000 to construct Embassies, Mr. Frank Page, son of the late Dr. Page, Ambassador to Great Britain, declared that it cost his father \$48,000 a year to run the Embassy in London on a salary of \$12,000.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BOYCOTT IN PHILIPPINES.

PUBLIC URGED NOT TO BUY AMERICAN GOODS.

MANILA, February 9th.

A mild boycott of American retailers is reported during the last few days. One speaker at Roxas yesterday urged his audience not to purchase goods from American dealers opposing independence.

One American firm at Escalita is planning a sign: "Money spent here will not be used to oppose your aspirations; we are in business, not politics."

The Filipino Veterans' Revolution Party has tabled a resolution censuring Governor Wood and refused to join a coalition of Nationalists and Democrats Parties working for immediate independence, though it endorsed the latter in principle. This is taken to mean that the Veterans will oppose the Legislatures' policy of non-co-operation with Governor-General Wood.

PEKING CABINET.

HIDES FROM A THOUSAND YAMEN OFFICIALS.

PEKING, February 9th.

More than a thousand Yamen officials besieged the Cabinet Office this morning, demanding their back pay. Consequently the members of the Cabinet failed to show up for to-day's regular Cabinet meeting, which will either be postponed or held secretly at the Premier's residence.

EUROPEANS CHARGED.

MORE MOTOR CASES IN COURT.

Before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy yesterday, Mr. C. H. Hoare, of the Dragon Motor Company, was summoned for driving a motor car in a manner dangerous to the public on January 5th.

Sergeant T. McMahon gave evidence as to Mr. Hoare passing him at a speed of between 25 and 30 miles per hour in Wongsichong Road on the day in question, and a fine of \$10 was imposed.

Mr. S. J. Squire, of the Hongkong Electric Company, was summoned for reckless driving on January 13th, and was fined \$5.

EUROPEAN JUMPS OVERBOARD.

A PASSENGER ON THE "TESTA".

The *Testa* which arrived at Madras from the Straits on January 23rd, reported that while sailing near Porto Novo on the previous Thursday one of the European passengers on board, Mr. J. H. Braudlough, stated to be a publisher travelling from Penang to Madras, jumped overboard and was drowned. The ship immediately lowered her boats and over one and a half hour's search proved futile. It is reported that except that at times he looked depressed during the voyage no reason is as yet forthcoming as to why Mr. Braudlough jumped overboard.

LADY LOST OVERBOARD.

TRAGIC INCIDENT ON "HECTOR'S" VOYAGE.

When the Blue Funnel steamer *Hector* arrived at Penang recently the Captain reported that a European lady passenger, disappeared overboard during the voyage out. It was understood that the deceased lady was bound for Shanghai with her husband and children.

SIAMESE MINISTER.

DEATH FROM TUBERCULOSIS IN AMERICA.

WASHINGTON, February 9th.

The Siamese Minister, Phya Buri Navarath, has died of tuberculosis at Saranac Lake.

After his cremation the ashes will be taken to Siam.

AMERICA AND RUBBER.

NEW YORK, February 9th.

Additional facilities for dealing in rubber will be available on February 15th, when the New York Rubber Exchange opens for business.

FORTUNES MADE AND LOST IN HONGKONG.

THE TIME TO RETIRE.

[BY AN OLD RESIDENT.]

Many of us who have often heard stories of how our lucky friends solved the "get rich quick" problem must have taken more than a little interest in some disclosures recently made in the local Bankruptcy Court.

A witness was giving evidence about the methods of shareholders in Hongkong. The facts appear to be fairly simple. In 1921 a well-known business man started as a stock and share broker. His assets appear to have been \$57,000 in cash and local property and \$7,000 worth of shares in London. His earnings from brokering were \$53,000 in 1922; \$72,000 in 1923, and \$139,000 in 1924. In May, 1925, there was a credit balance of \$188,000 which had since been converted in a revised deficiency of \$1,500,000.

The first thought of any sympathetic individual who read the case must have been "hard luck." It seems almost certain that but for local political troubles the broker would have retired in a few years with a substantial fortune.

ROOMS AND SLUMPS.

There is a story, still current, of a lucky broker who was caught in the slump that followed the declaration of war in 1914. He just managed to tide over the slump. Then came the boom years. In 1919 he retired (according to his intimate friends) with a fortune of £100,000.

"I did not come out here for the benefit of my health" is a common enough saying in Hongkong. We feel that, after 25 years in the tropics, we ought to be able to enjoy a care-free life "at home." Many of our friends have done so.

A MODEST AMBITION.

For many years this problem of when to retire has cropped up in discussions in the Clubs and at dinner parties in this Colony. There were only two men who never were interested in the matter. They appeared to prefer to finish their days in this Colony. They are both now at peace in the Happy Valley and, if it was their ambition to fight the last great fight in Hongkong, they achieved it. Their names were Matthew John D. Stephens and Montague Ede.

If you had discussed this subject of retirement in the "boom" days of 1920, you would have heard many a man say "I shall go when I have got \$50,000." In those times we had stories of Tom, Dick and Harry who had been lucky enough to collect twice that amount. My own modest ambition, even in those hectic days, was to make sure of a certain £1,000 a year for the two of us, with an additional £300 a year for each child that we must educate.

THE COST OF LIVING.

It seems that it will be more difficult to put by for old age in the future than in the past in this Colony. Facts are often unpleasant, but they must be faced. We may be quite sure that food prices will never again be below those of May, 1925. We may save a dollar or two a month on wages, although in the wearing down process the Chinese servant invariably wins. We shall have to live in a more economical manner. There is the old proverb about cutting one's coat according to one's cloth, but it is unpleasant to give up the little harmless luxuries. We shall be compelled to do it unless things look brighter in the near future.

THE DREADED TAX.

Many people stay out in the Far East because of the income tax. If you live in England to-day you pay less in tax on the same income from investments than a year ago. It does seem hard to hand over £132-10-0 out of £1,000 to the tax collector. If your income is £1,600 you must pay up £232-10-0. So that if you have to educate two children of ages from 12 to 20 years, you will find that your income of £1,500 a year is reduced to less than £700. It will cost you a good average of £200 a year per child in these days at a public school and more at a University. It seems only right and proper that the gentleman with an income of £1,000 from investments should "shell out" £247,000 for tax. It looks much more just to most of us who want to retire, than does the demand for £232-10-0 out of £1,500 a year.

There is, it is true, some slight allowance for each child, but it is very little. Experience teaches paternal families that any estimates about the expenses of children are more usually exceeded than the reverse.

THE DAILY GRIND.

It seems, therefore, that we shall have to go on working until we can reach the £1,000 a year income, exclusive of the expenses of the children. That, in actual fact, means waiting until the children are able to support themselves.

If we wish to feel really safe we shall invest our savings in War Loans. We then obtain interest at five per cent; that means having a capital sum of £20,000. In these days it is not easy to save that sum. On the other hand few of us have any desire to stay in the Far East after we are 55 years old. In the end we shall probably make up our minds that, however small the income, we shall retire not later than at that age. The annoying part of the business is that, at the back of our minds, there is always the feeling that, when we really do retire, we shall regret it. It is not easy to transplant an old tree. We are probably much more happy in our eager endeavours to collect enough of the "handy stuff" so that we may retire, than we shall be in retirement. England is a delightful prospect for the Far Easterner with a fortune. Perhaps, after all, those of us who have but a small income had better reconcile ourselves to stay in Hongkong where, at least, there is no income tax. The temptation is to gamble in the share market. Recent revelations are a warning to all of us.

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LOCAL SPORT.

INTERPORT FOOTBALL.

TWO TEAMS LEAVE HONGKONG.

Hongkong's interport football team left for Shanghai on the s.s. *President Jackson* yesterday afternoon, being seen off by many friends, members and supporters of their clubs. They have left in charge of Messrs. W. E. Hollands and J. McCubbin.

Our team to oppose Shanghai are as under:—

Rodger (H.K.F.C.); Wynne (Police) captain and Wheeler (Kowloon); Mitchell (Surreys), Stewart (H.K.F.C.), and Bristow (Surreys);

Charlesworth (Surreys), Humberstone (Surreys), Gosano (Club de Recreio), Butler (Surreys), Macklesworth (Surreys).

Reserves:—Howard (H.K.F.C.), Brittain (Police), Hayes (Kowloon).

Also leaving for Shanghai on the *President Jackson* was the South China A.A., who have sent sixteen men to compete in the China National Football Championship, and they will play about four games.

The South China team in alphabetical order is:—Chan Kwong Yu, Chan Woon Yin (reserve), Lai Yuk Tat, Lam Yuk Xing, Lau Hing Cheung, Lau Kau (reserve), Leung Cho U (manager), Leung Wing Tak, Leung Yuk Tong, Ng Kam Chuen, Ng Po Lau (reserve), Pang Kam Wing, Suen Kam Shun, Wong Pak Chung, Wong Sui Wah, Yik Chan Pong (reserve).

As a result of an interport trial match played at Shanghai last Friday, the following team were selected to play against Hongkong:—

S. J. Moalem (Engineers); J. B. Brown (Artillery) and J. Falconer (Engineers); A. Gowan (S.F.C.), S. Gash (Police), and W. A. Price (S.F.C.); W. E. Daily (S.F.C.), A. S. Phillips (S.F.C.), L. Goldmann (S.F.C.), Coulcher (S.F.C.), J. Johanson (S.R.C.).

Captain:—A. S. Phillips.

Vice-Captain:—S. Gash.

Reserves:—J. B. Clissold (Police), G. T. Crawford (Engineers), H. Collico (P.S.A.), L. Marcell (P.S.A.).

Hongkong play Shanghai on Saturday.

INTERPORT GOLF.

SHANGHAI'S TEAM.

A change has been necessitated in the Shanghai Golf Club's team to meet Hongkong at China New Year, says the *N.C. Daily News*. It is learned that K. M. Cumming is unable to travel south, and it is an interesting question as to how the vacancy so caused will be filled. It will be remembered that the original team consisted of M. W. Budd, A. R. Blinke, J. B. Ferrier, H. R. Malcolm, L. Parbury and K. M. Cumming. There has been a certain amount of bad luck about this team, for no sooner had it been announced than Budd went to hospital for a second time this season. Fortunately, he is better again and will be able to take his place, but the selection of a man to substitute for Cumming now presents a real difficulty. A meeting of the Club Committee is being held when the matter will probably be decided. It has to be remembered that possibly four days' successive golf may have to be played, two against Hongkong and two against Manila, and accordingly the Club has to look to stamina and lasting power in any selection.

A later advice shows that the following have been chosen to represent Shanghai: M. W. Budd, J. B. Ferrier, A. R. Blinke, L. Parbury, H. R. Malcolm, J. F. Pilcher.

Mr. R. G. MacDonald, the President of the Shanghai Golf Club, will accompany the team and will act as Captain.

FROM MANILA.

The following appeared in the *Manila Bulletin* of last Tuesday:—

The Board of Directors of the Manila Golf Club have selected the following members to compose the team to go to Hongkong:—

Lieut. A. L. Benedict, E. F. Few, J. R. H. Mason, Comdr. H. C. Train, E. J. Nell and G. M. Ivory. "Bob" Mason was elected to captain the team. Capt. H. Elarth and W. Z. Smith were also selected for the team but were unable to make the trip.

In selecting the team, the committee had to take in consideration the fact that all steel shafted clubs are not allowed under the rules played at Hongkong.

The local players will leave Manila on the s.s. *President Picard*, sailing February 9th and return to Manila on board the s.s. *President Taft*, arriving February 21st. Actual dates for the playing of the matches will not be made until the team arrives in Hongkong.

This will be the fifth interport golf match between Hongkong and Manila. Out of the four matches played each Club has won two. Manila has only played one match with Shanghai, sending a team there in 1922, which was won by Shanghai.

CRICKET.

CLUB v. UNITED SERVICES.

The following have been selected to represent the Club v. United Services on the 13th and 15th inst. on the Club grounds:—H. R. B. Hancock (captain), A. C. Bowker, A. Hayward, H. Owen Hughes, E. G. Lammert, H. Parker, T. E. Pearce, E. B. Reed, B. C. Shildon, E. F. Stewart, and G. B. Sayer.

THE TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

THE DRAW.

Following is the draw for the first three events in the Tennis Tournament:—

The first and second rounds of these three events are to be played off before the 21st March.

By mutual consent between players, any tie in the first and second rounds of these three events may be played off on grounds other than the Cricket ground.

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP SINGLES.

1st Round. 2nd Round.
1. Bye. M. K. Lo.

2. D. S. Green.
3. Ho Ka Lau.
4. F. A. Redmond.
5. G. W. Sewell.
6. E. Grimble.
7. Yaw Man Tain.

8. B. H. Wong.
9. K. Mawattari.
10. H. R. Conway.
11. A. Zimmern.
12. Ng Sze Cheong.
13. B. de Pass.

14. Yew Man Kit.
15. W. J. Howard.
16. S. E. Green.
17. H. C. Gould.

18. T. Akiyama.
19. E. D. Lawrence.
20. F. B. Grose.
21. H. Lo.
22. H. D. Rumjahn.
23. N. Trambitzky.

24. Col. Russell-Brown.
25. K. Yamazaki.
26. Cheong Tuck Wing.
27. J. C. Broome.
28. R. E. Coxon.
29. S. R. Ismail.

30. T. Honda.
31. H. Bloxham.
32. L. Baines.
33. Ng Sze Kwong.
34. N. Nomura.
35. J. R. Craig.

36. H. Owen Hughes.
37. J. A. Cassumbhoy.
38. H. S. Lee.
39. E. C. Fincher.
40. Lim Peng Chin.
41. W. B. Cornaby.

42. Major C. Willson.
43. A. D. Humphreys.
44. W. H. Choa.
45. R. M. Henderson.
46. In Tak Cheuk.
47. S. A. Rumjahn.

48. Maj. Hattersley-Smith.
49. I. M. Razack.
50. D. J. Valentine.
51. Capt. R. H. P. West.
52. M. W. Lo.
53. A. S. Hett.

54. In Tak Lam.
55. C. Choa.
56. Maj. W. B. Stevenson.
57. S. A. Hussain.
58. Huang Hui Chen.
59. H. Yoshida.

60. Bye. C. W. Cheng.
61. Bye. R. E. Tottenham.

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP DOUBLES.

First Round.
1. R. M. Henderson and A. Brearley, bye.
2. Hung Hui Chen and Wong Boon Hin, bye.
3. H. Crook and J. A. Summers, bye.

4. J. M. da Silva and Y. A. Wahab, bye.
5. H. Lo and C. Choa, bye.
6. R. Hancock and F. A. Redmond, bye.
7. N. Trambitzky and J. W. Leonard, bye.

8. Major C. Willson and G. B. Sayer, bye.
9. H. Bloxham and R. E. Lindsell, bye.
10. T. Yamada and T. Edo, bye.
11. M. K. Lo and M. W. Lo, bye.
12. G. Podger and J. Rodger, bye.

13. E. O. Fincher and E. F. Fincher, bye.
14. Ho Ka Lau and Yew Man Tain, bye.
15. S. E. Green and D. S. Green, bye.
16. Yew Man Kit and C. W. Cheng, bye.
17. Dr. D. J. Valentine and Lt. H. R. Conway, bye.

18. H. Owen Hughes and G. W. Sewell, bye.
19. H. D. Rumjahn and S. A. Rumjahn, bye.
20. R. E. Oliver and Dr. D. B. Gawler, bye.
21. In Tak Cheuk and Lam Man Kwong, bye.
22. Dr. I. Newton and J. C. Broome, bye.

23. Major H. R. Edwards and Dr. J. R. Craig, bye.
24. Cheong Tuck Wing and Loong Hoi Yung, bye.
25. Ng Sze Kwong and Ng Sze Cheong, bye.
26. L. Forster and N. L. Smith, bye.
27. E. R. J. Larkcom and Col. C. Russell-Brown, bye.

28. K. Yamazaki and J. A. B. Hett, bye.
29. Capt. D. J. Allfree and H. G. Gould, bye.
30. E. Grimble and A. S. Hett, bye.
31. K. Mawattari and H. Ungtore, bye.
32. Capt. H. R. P. West and Lt. Col. Montague Bates, bye.

33. A. D. Humphreys and B. E. Tottenham, bye.
34. S. A. Hussain and S. S. Hussain, bye.
35. L. Baines and G. Miskin, bye.
36. W. A. Nowers and T. D. E. Pendered, bye.
37. T. Honda and H. Yoshida, bye.
38. T. Akiyama and S. Uno, bye.

39. Major W. W. Pratt and Major W. B. Stevenson, bye.
40. E. de Sousa and F. Ribeiro, bye.
41. A. Piercy and W. B. Cornaby, bye.
42. (Continued on next column.)

THE BOXER INDEMNITY.

PERSONNEL OF THE STATUTORY COMMITTEE.

The Foreign Office announcement made last month on this subject reads as follows:—

Under the China Indemnity (Application) Act, 1923, a Statutory Committee was to be set up to advise the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs as to the best use of the indemnity funds for the mutual interests of this country and China. The Committee was to consist of 11 persons, of whom at least one was to be a woman and two to be Chinese. The British members of the Committee have been nominated, and the Chinese members, who will be persons connected with educational and cultural work, are in course of being appointed.

In view of the lamented death of Sir John Jordan, it has been decided to fill the vacancy by a third Chinese member. The British members of the Committee are as follows:—

Chairman, Earl Buxton, P.C., G.C.M.G. (former Postmaster-General, 1905-10; President of the Board of Trade, 1910-14; Governor-General of South Africa, 1914-20).

Viscount Willingdon, G.C.S.I., G.C.I.E., G.B.E. (Governor of Bombay, 1913-19; Governor of Madras, 1919-24).

Sir Charles Addis, K.C.M.G. (director of the Bank of England and chairman of London Committee of Hongkong and Shanghai Bank).

Sir William Clark, K.C.S.I., C.M.G. (Comptroller-General of the Department of Overseas Trade).

Sir Christopher Needham (director Manchester Chamber of Commerce, 1914-1916; Governor of Manchester University since 1910; nominated to serve on the Committee by the Board of Trade).

Professor W. E. Soothill, M.A. (Professor of Chinese, Oxford University).

Mr. S. P. Waterlow, C.B.E. (of the Foreign Office).

Dame Adelaide Anderson, D.B.E., M.A. (Principal Lady Inspector of Factories, Home Office, 1897-1921; assisted on Commission appointed by Shanghai Municipal Council to investigate child labour in Shanghai).

The British members of the Committee have held informal meetings to discuss the best means of carrying out their task, with special reference to the changing conditions in China. As a result of these deliberations it has been decided:—(1) To increase the Chinese membership of the Committee to three, and (2) that a delegation should be appointed, consisting of six members of the Committee—three British and three Chinese—under the chairmanship of Lord Willingdon; they will meet in China to consider the whole question on the spot, and to take evidence there in reference to the various matters involved. The Delegation will report their conclusions to the Committee as a whole. The other British members of the Delegation will be Professor Soothill and Dame Adelaide Anderson. The British members are leaving immediately for China; and it is hoped that the full Delegation will be able to begin its work about the beginning of March.

Under the Protocol of 1901 China undertook to pay £87,500,000 in 39 annual instalments of £2,250,000, the British quota being £400,000. This amount was remitted by two instruments, namely, by decision of the Cabinet in 1922, and by the passage of the China Indemnity (Application) Act in 1923. There has been much discussion as to the purposes to which the remitted funds should be applied, and it was with the object of determining these that the Act authorized the setting up of a Statutory Committee.

ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

CAPTAIN'S CUP, FEBRUARY 6th-8th.

D. G. Bruce.....84—12=72 qualifies.
Other scores:
W. L. Dunbar.....84—10=74
A. B. Davies.....83—8=76
A. H. Ferguson.....81—4=77
J. Smith.....80—11=78
A. W. Shovelton.....80—12=78
(24 entries).

OPTIONAL POOL.
J. L. Shellhear.....85—9=77 wins.
(16 entries).

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7. H. Owen Hughes, "
8. Maj. Hattersley-Smith, "
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19. R. E. Tottenham, "
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PIANO-VOCAL RECITAL.
MR. HARRY ORE AT THE CITY HALL.

There was a good attendance at the City Hall yesterday evening when a piano-vocal recital was given, the artists being Mr. Harry Ore, Mrs. B. Sanger, and Mr. H. Edwin Gardner.

Mr. Ore, who is well known as a pianist, gave interpretations of several classic pieces, which were enthusiastically received by the audience. His programme consisted of Beethoven's "Variations in G. Minor," Mozart's "Sonata in D. Major, Allegro, Adagio, and Allegretto," Beethoven's "Folk-song," Grainger's "Shepherd's Boy," and a piece of his own composition entitled "Mistral," op. 15.

Mrs. B. Sanger impressed the audience with her pleasant soprano voice. She gave expressive renderings of Schumann's "Dedication," and Anton Dvorak's, "As My Dear Old Mother," and was encored. The audience would certainly have liked to have heard her two or three times again, and this is assuredly testimony to the appreciation which her singing evoked.

Mr. H. Edwin Gardner was no less appreciated. He sang Paggiacci's "Vesti la giubba," forcibly, as he also rendered Tosca's "E lucevan le stelle." He, too, was encored. He has a very fine tenor voice.

The audience was treated to a classical entertainment.

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ALLEGED PIRATES OF THE

"TUNGCHOW."

EIGHT ON TRIAL AT SHANGHAI
FRENCH COURT.

FOUR MEN IDENTIFIED BY THE
SHIP'S OFFICERS.

Eight Chinese who are alleged to have
taken part in the piracy of the C.N. s.s.
Tungchow at the end of last year were
put on their trial at the French Mixed
Court at Shanghai on the 5th inst., be-
fore M. R. Tullme and Magistrate Nieh.

The accused men had been arrested on
board the C.N. s.s. Soochow, on infor-
mation received by the French police that
members of the gang were returning to
Shanghai to commit another atrocious
crime. Four of them were identified in
Court by Mr. Nibset, first officer of the
Tungchow, and Mr. Scott, the second
officer. Several of the passengers in
Tientsin, to whom photographs of the
prisoners were sent, have recognized ac-
cused. Their evidence, sent by post, was
accepted by the Court.

Most of the evidence for the prosecu-
tion having already been given at the
instruction, the prisoners were severally
put through a long interrogation by the
Court. Their defence was a complete
denial that they were on board the pirat-
ed vessel. Four of them pleaded that
they were in Waichow at the time. Those
who put forward this plea declared that
they had been officers in the anti-
Bolshevik forces and had been reduced to
poverty.

M. du Pac de Marsoulles, who with
Mr. A. E. Seddon prosecuted on behalf
of the Tungchow's owners, the China
Navigation Co., after describing the
piracy, said that four of the men had
been identified by two of the officers and
several passengers. In the case of the
other four they had an alibi. Yet they
all returned to Shanghai in the same
vessel and embarked at the same place.
Waichow, from which four came, was
well known to the Court as a nest of
pirates.

The article of the Chinese Criminal Code
under which the first four were charged,
counsel went on, provided for the death
penalty, and he demanded that it should
be inflicted in the case of these men. As
the remaining four, they should be
handed over to the Chinese authorities.
These men admitted that they were with-
out means and one had confessed that he
was a robber.

The Court reserved judgment.

THE STRANDED STEAMERS.

ASSISTANCE DISPATCHED TO
THEM.

No further news is to hand regarding
the China Navigation steamers *Huan*
and *Aweiyang*, which, as reported yester-
day, are ashore close to each other at
the western end of the Hainan Straits.
The tug and lighters from Taikoo left
on Monday evening and the *Taming*
cleared with stores yesterday morning.

Yesterday it was decided to unload
the bunker coal in the O.S.E. steamer *Altai*
Maria, which went ashore in the Fo Tau
Mun Pies, outside the eastern entrance
to the harbour, in a further attempt to
refloat her. Further lighters and junks
were sent out yesterday and it was hoped to
get her off by this morning. As there
was a danger of the vessel heeling over,
she was secured to the shore with wire
ropes. The vessel had over 3,000 tons of
cargo on board when she was grounded.

AIR MAILS.

FIFTEEN DAYS FROM SHANGHAI
TO LONDON.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

LONDON, January 12th.
The Postmaster-General communicates
the following particulars of outgoing
British Air Mail traffic during 1925:—

There has been an increase in the total
weight of letter mail during the year, and
the total weight despatched by air has
now risen to 15,559 lbs. The increase has
been most marked in the mails to Paris
and to Morocco and Algeria, which have
increased by 19 per cent. and 33 per cent.
respectively. By the latter service 2,500
lbs. of letters was despatched during the
year. One of the heaviest of the letter
mails is that for unoccupied Germany
(Hanover, Berlin and Hamburg). This
increased by over 10 per cent.; and Nor-
way and Sweden also showed increase.
Considerable use was made of the air
services established in Continental coun-
tries to supplement the service afforded
by Imperial Airways where necessary;
and new letter Air Mails were instituted
to the East Baltic Countries and Russia,
the latter of these attracting as much as
680 lbs. of letters in the four months of
1925 during which it was in operation.
This service has occasionally been used
in the inward direction for mails from the
East brought by the Trans-Siberian Rail-
way; the course of post from Shanghai
to London has thus been reduced to about
15 days. Facilities for using the New
York-San Francisco Air Mail Service were
also made available in May last, but
hitherto little use has been made of the
service.

The Cairo-Bagdad service has worked
with marked regularity. It continues to
carry a considerable volume of mails in
spite of the competition of the trans-
desert motor service between Haifa and
Bagdad.

The Air Parcel service continues to
carry a substantially greater volume of
mails than the letter service. The total
weight of the Parcel Air Mails on the
whole of the Continental services in
operation was 50,000 lbs., apportioned
among the several services as follows:
Paris, express 12,000 lbs., non-express
10,200 lbs.; Holland, 12,300 lbs.; Ger-
many, including the Rhine Army, 13,000
lbs.

THE CIGARETTE TAX.

ITS EFFECT ON THE TARIFF
COMMISSION.

As the tax on cigarettes has been
enforced in Peking, the American Minis-
ter, Mr. MacMurray, sent a protest to
the Waichiao on the 2nd inst. to the
following effect:—

"The fact that while the Special Tariff
Conference is actually in session such a
tax is being levied, goes far to wreck the
hopes of the foreign Powers concerned
to bring about a beneficial system of
taxation for China. It will certainly cause
doubts as to the sincerity of the Chinese
Government towards the Special Tariff
Conference and it will be sure to militate
against the effectiveness of the resolutions
passed by the said conference. There-
fore, it is required of China to abolish
the tax on cigarettes."—*Eastern News*
Agency.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Royal Observatory issued the fol-
lowing report at 6 o'clock yesterday eve-
ning: The anti-cyclone over S.W. Japan
has strengthened slightly. Areas of low
pressure cover Central China and Indo-
China. The monsoon will be interrupted
along the S.E. coast of China.
Local forecast: East winds, moderate;
generally overcast; some drizzle or mist.



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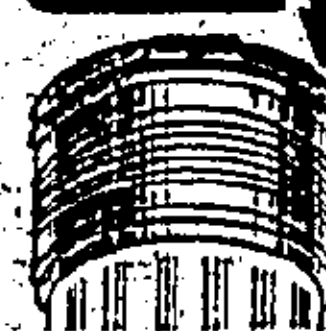
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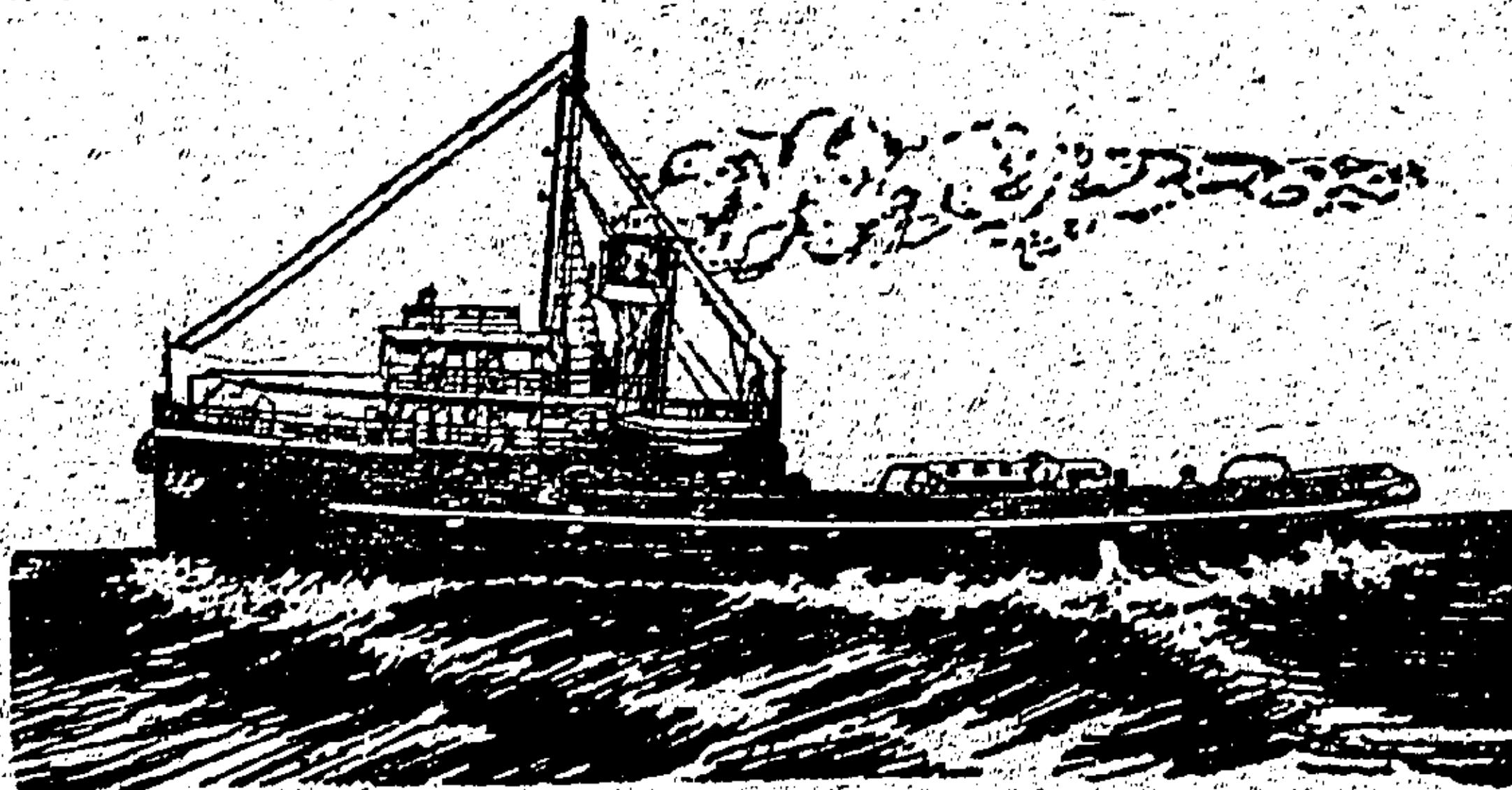
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SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVALS.

February 9th.
Borneo, British str., 1,297 tons, Capt. R. A. Prichard, from Haiphong and Hoihow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C45.—Shun Tai S.S. Co.
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Cliona, British str., 3,478 tons, Capt. J. H. Moller, from Tarkhan, lying at North Point.—Asiatic Petroleum Co.
Eumaeus, British str., 4,849 tons, Capt. J. W. Road, from Chefoo and Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A1.—B. & S.
Fushimi Maru, Japanese str., 10,036 tons, Capt. S. Ikawa, from London and Singapore, the latter port she left on February 4th, with 473 tons of general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.
Ho Sang, British str., 5,608 tons, Capt. J. M. Wright, from Calcutta, via Straits ports, with 1,730 tons of general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Lee Sang, British str., 673 tons, Capt. T. Croft, from Haiphong and Hoihow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C45.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CLEARANCES.

February 9th.
Benavolich, for Takao.
Duo, for Bangkok.
Eumaeus, for Singapore.
Fushimi Maru, for Shanghai.
Kojun Maru, for Takao.
Mikasa Maru, for Formosa.
Nanto Maru, for Keelung.
President Jackson, for Shanghai.
Tijonidari, for Shanghai.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVALS.
 Per N.Y.K. *Fushimi Maru*, from London, via ports, on February 9th: For Hongkong: Mr. F. S. Thomson, Dr. C. Leitas, Mr. D. Fernandez, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. H. Bunje and two children, Mr. J. Gornall, Lieut. J. A. Parkes, Mr. A. W. Muir, Mr. McLean Jemina, Mr. Harris Chan, Mr. Leong Sik San, Mr. J. Krogh-Moe, Miss E. B. Morrison, Mr. G. Hardt, Mr. and Mrs. Macalioag.

WITHIN CALL.

The following vessels were expected to be in wireless communication with Hongkong yesterday: *Shak Sang*, *Kut Sang*, *Benavolich*, *Preussen*, *Java Arrow*, *Eumaeus*, *Bintang*, *Brangl Maru*, *Yankee Maru*, *Leont Arrov*, *Altai Maru*, *Empress of Scotland*, *Clara Jensen*, U.S.S. *Fort*, *Southam*, *President Taft*, *President Jackson*, *Mikasa Maru*, *Shingo Maru*, *Kiangchow*, and *Hatching*.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Asia* left Vancouver for Hongkong, via Japan ports and Shanghai, on February 7th, and is due here on February 28th.
 The R.M.S. *Empress of Russia* arrived at Nagasaki on Monday at 7.30 p.m., left on Tuesday at 8 a.m., and is due at Kobe to-day (February 10th), at 7 a.m.

CHINA COAST CHANGES.

The following are the latest China Coast changes:—
 Mr. L. J. Stevenson, has signed off the *Chak Sang* as 2nd mate and has gone 3rd mate of the same vessel.
 Mr. Woodford, *Pao Shing*, has gone 2nd mate of the *Chak Sang*.
 Mr. J. G. Campbell, *Kingyan*, has gone 1st engineer of the *Kingchow*.
 Mr. A. R. McDavid, has signed off the *Helena* as supernumerary 4th mate and has gone 4th mate of the *Tyndarus*.
 Mr. W. L. Haydock, has signed off the *Helena* as 8th engineer and has gone 8th engineer of the *Tyndarus*.
 Mr. E. G. Hutton, has signed off the *Tyndarus* as 8th engineer and has gone supernumerary engineer of the *Lamodon*.
 Mr. L. E. Paine, has signed off the *Lok Sun* as 2nd engineer.
 Mr. T. C. Malcolm, has signed off the *Hop Sang* as 2nd engineer.
 Mr. W. Dykes, *Kiaun*, has gone 2nd engineer of the *Hop Sang*.
 Mr. S. M. Thomson, has signed off the *Hop Sang* as 1st engineer and has gone 1st engineer of the *Chak Sang*.
 Mr. A. Annetts, has signed off the *Chak Sang* as 1st engineer and has gone 1st engineer of the *Hop Sang*.
 Mr. O. T. Harrison, *Chenan*, has gone 1st mate of the *Kingchow*.
 Mr. W. Paplow, has signed off the *Huichow* as 1st mate.
 Mr. L. O. Anderson, *Kueiyang*, has gone 1st mate of the *Fathian*.
 Mr. L. McRae, has signed off the *Chak Sang* as 1st mate.
 Mr. G. K. Hudson, *Hin Sang*, has gone 1st mate of the *Chak Sang*.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN HONGKONG.

FOR FEBRUARY, 1926.

(STANDARD TIME OF THE 120TH MERIDIAN, EAST OF GREENWICH.)

Date.	Sunrise.	Sunset.
February 10th.....	6.58 a.m.	6.17 p.m.
" 11th.....	6.58	6.18
" 12th.....	6.57	6.19
" 13th.....	6.57	6.19
" 14th.....	6.58	6.20
" 15th.....	6.58	6.20
" 16th.....	6.55	6.21
" 17th.....	6.55	6.21
" 18th.....	6.54	6.21
" 19th.....	6.53	6.22
" 20th.....	6.52	6.22
" 21st.....	6.51	6.23
" 22nd.....	6.50	6.23
" 23rd.....	6.50	6.24
" 24th.....	6.49	6.24
" 25th.....	6.49	6.25
" 26th.....	6.48	6.25
" 27th.....	6.47	6.26
" 28th.....	6.48	6.26

HONGKONG SHIPPING.

Yesterday's shipping statement showed that the number of vessels in the harbour at 9 a.m. was 71, of which 38 were British.

The arrivals for the twenty-four hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday numbered seven, viz.—five British, one American and one German. Departures over the same period came to nine, including one for Amoy and one for Kwang Chow Wan; with three clearances.

CARGO ENTERED.

(During 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday.)
 For Hongkong 3,113 tons.
 For ports beyond 22,892
 Total 25,915
 (During previous 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. on Sunday.)
 For Hongkong 9,250 tons.
 For ports beyond 13,638
 Total 22,818

Of the cargo entered for Hongkong, no less than 3,043 tons were carried by British vessels, only 70 tons being brought by other nationalities. A feature of the report was the heavy entries of cargo for ports beyond compared with the cargo entered for Hongkong. The heaviest entry for Hongkong was 1,740 tons, the remainder being all under a thousand tons.

The arrivals for the period under review were as under:—The s.s. *Borneo* (Br.) from Haiphong and Hoihow with 910 tons of rice and general cargo and mail; the s.s. *Ho Sang* (Br.) from Calcutta and Singapore with 1,740 tons general cargo and mail and 5,684 tons for ports beyond; the s.s. *Eumaeus* (Br.) from Calcutta and Shanghai with 2 tons of general cargo, mail and 3,686 tons for ports beyond; the s.s. *Kanichow* (Br.) from Shanghai with 185 tons of general cargo and mail; the s.s. *City of Christiana* (Br.) from Bremen via ports with 208 tons of general cargo and 6,500 tons for ports beyond; the s.s. *Java Arrow* (American) in ballast from Sabang and Cocanda and the s.s. *Preussen* (German) from Shanghai with 70 tons of general cargo, mail and 7,052 tons for ports beyond.

Later arrivals yesterday, too late for entry in the above returns, included the s.s. *Lee Sang* (Br.) from Hoihow with general cargo and the s.s. *Fushimi Maru* (Japanese) from Straits with general cargo and mail.

SHIPPING NOTES.

The master of the s.s. *Mantha* reported to the Harbour Office that on February 7th a derelict water-logged junk was passed in Latitude 25° 45' N.; Longitude 120° 24' E. The junk is dangerous to navigation.

Deck passengers entered for the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday totalled 950, of which the s.s. *Ho Sang* from Calcutta and Singapore carried 348.

It has been officially notified from Canton that the mines which were laid in the waters about Boca Tigris and Cheong Chow have all been removed.

The *Fathian*, having undergone overhaul and repair, resumed her place on the Hongkong-Canton run yesterday morning. The *Kinshan*, which has been taken off the run and was at the wharf yesterday, is likely to resume her place on the Hongkong-Macao run to-day.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

The following vessels are in Dock:—
 Kowloon Dock.—*Ming Sang*, *Passet*, *Seistan*, *Tangistan*, *Chip Shing*.
 Tai Koo Dock.—*Empress of Australia*, *Huichow*, *Kiangsu*, *Chenan*, *Siberia Maru*, *Kueichow*.
 COSMOPOLITAN DOCK.—*Ling Nam*.
 At Kowloon Bay.—*Haifong*, *L. Onawa*, *Sua On*.

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, February 9th.			
	Previous Day	On Date	On Day
	at 2 p.m.	at 6 a.m.	at 2 p.m.
Barometer	29.93	29.94	29.94
Temperature	62	63	64
Humidity	87	88	84
Wind Direction	ENE	ESE	E
Force	3	3	3
Weather	0	0	0
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00

Highest open-air Temperature on 8th 63
 Lowest open-air Temperature on 8th 61

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From Feb. 10th to 16th, 1926.

HIGH WATER.				LOW WATER.			
Days of Week	Days of Month	H'kong Standard Time.	Height.	Days of Week	Days of Month	H'kong Standard Time.	Height.
Wed.	10	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.		
		8 24	4 1			2 6	1 1
Thur.	11	7 15	4 5			0 34	3 2
		9 16	4 8			2 49	0 6
Fri.	12	8 51	7 9			1 32	3 0
		10 1	4 4			3 31	0 3
Satur.	13	10 42	4 6			2 27	2 8
		9 43	8 0			4 13	0 2
Sun.	14	11 23	4 7			3 19	2 5
		10 42	7 7			4 9	2 4
Mon.	15	0 14	4 8			5 33	0 7
		11 39	7 7			4 53	2 3
Tues.	16	0 39	4 9			6 13	1 2
						5 49	3 4

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 HAKONE MARU ... Saturday, 27th Feb.
 SUWA MARU ... Saturday, 13th Mar.
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 TANGO MARU ... Wednesday, 24th Mar.
 NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.
 TAKOTOYO MARU ... Saturday, 20th Feb.
 KAKODATE MARU ... Friday, 5th Mar.
 BUENOS AIRES via Singapore, Durban & Cape Town, Delagoa Bay & Algoa Bay.
 KAMAKURA MARU ... Saturday, 27th Feb.
 BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.
 WAKASA MARU ... Thursday, 11th Feb.
 TOKUSHIMA MARU ... Thursday, 15th Feb.
 CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
 CEYLON MARU ... Tuesday, 23rd Feb.
 RANGOON via Singapore & Penang.
 SHINSEI MARU ... Thursday, 18th Feb.
 NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
 TANGO MARU ... Wednesday, 17th Feb.
 SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
 FUSHIMI MARU ... Tuesday, 9th Feb. at 5 p.m.
 BENGAL MARU ... Saturday, 13th Feb.
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 BANGKOK ... "HOPSANG" ... Wednesday, 17th Feb., at Noon.
 SANDAKAN ... "HINSANG" ... Wednesday, 17th Feb., at 3 p.m.
 STRAITS & CALCUTTA ... "KUISANG" ... Wednesday, 17th Feb., at 3 p.m.
 KOBE via MOJI ... "SUISANG" ... Friday, 19th Feb., at 7 a.m.
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 "GLENIFFER" ... 9th Mar.
 "GLENAMUOY" ... 6th Apr.
 "GLENSHANE" ... 4th May.
 "GLENAMUOY" ... 4th May.
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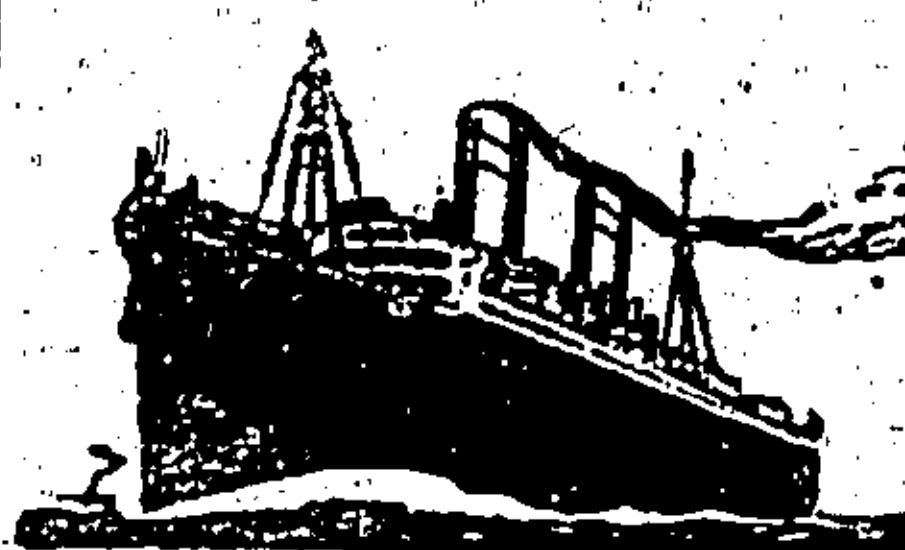
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"COLENZ" ...	22nd May "	
"ANHALT" ...	19th June "	
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TJIBODAS	S'YATA & M'KAR	22nd "	1st Mar.	AMOT & S'HAL
TJISONDARI	S'YATA & N'CHINA	23rd "	1st "	BATAVIA
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"KARMA"	9,089	20th Feb. Noon	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull.
"NAPOLEON"	5,283	2nd Mar.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"MANTUA"	10,902	6th Mar.	Marseilles and London.
"KASHMIR"	8,985	13th Mar.	Mars., London, Antwerp, and Hamburg.
"KHIVA"	8,135	20th Mar.	Marseilles, London, and Antwerp.
"MOREA"	10,918	3rd Apr.	Marseilles and London.
"DELTA"	8,097	15th Apr.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	17th Apr.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"KALYAN"	9,144	21st Apr.	do.
"MACEDONIA"	11,089	1st May	Marseilles and London.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	15th May	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"MALWA"	9,941	28th May	Marseilles and London.
"KHYBER"	9,114	12th June	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"MANTUA"	10,902	26th June	Marseilles and London.
"DELTA"	8,097	7th July	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
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"TALAMBA"	8,018	4th Mar.	do.
"TALMA"	10,000	10th Mar.	do.
"SHIRALA"	7,841	17th Mar.	do.

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"TANDA"	8,958	3rd Mar.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, and Melbourne.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	7th Apr.	do.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	5th May	do.
"TANDA"	8,958	2nd June	do.
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"TALMA"	10,000	16th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
"KHIVA"	8,135	20th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"SHIRALA"	7,841	23rd Feb.	Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
"MOREA"	10,911	6th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	13th Mar.	Moji, Kobe and Yokohama.
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"KASHMIR"	8,985	25th June	Shanghai only.
"RANPURA"	16,585	9th July	Shanghai Moji & Kobe.
"MACEDONIA"	11,089	22nd July	do.
"KALYAN"	9,144	5th Aug.	do.

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SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"NEWHOWANG"	On 13th Feb.	11 a.m.
SHANGHAI	"SHANTUNG"	On 13th Feb.	4 p.m.
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